YOUTH VIOLENCE ESSAY

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Youth violence affected my life because I was trying to break up a fight. The fight was about something stupid, my friends James and John were arguing about a television show called “1,000 Ways to Die.” James said it was impossible to get killed by a pebble, but John said it was possible to get killed by a pebble. They argued about it for 20 minutes. James got so mad he swung at John’s face. Then that’s how when the fight started. During that time I was at a different part of the school. When I got there James and John were on the ground punching each other and every one was crowding around them saying FIGHT, FIGHT, and FIGHT. I ran through the crowd and grabbed John from James. James tried to punch John but he missed and hit me in the face. Someone grabbed James before he tried to hit John again and miss. Someone in the crowd watching the fight told the principle and he took James and John to his office. James and John were suspended for a week. That’s how youth violence affected my life.

This story is fiction.

The causes of youth violence is being bullied, power/control, and family problems. Being bullied can cause youth violence because if you get bullied you can get angry and want to get your anger out on the first person you see. When that happens bullying just keeps going on and on. Power/control can cause youth violence because if a kid has a rich family he acts like he can boss everyone around. If he bosses the wrong person around it can cause a huge fight. Family problems can cause youth violence because if a kid is between huge disagreements with his parents, he starts to feel angry because he is afraid that his parents will not be together anymore. When that kid goes to school he wants to punch something to get his anger out, so his punches a student. Then the student hits back and a fight break out. See anything can cause youth violence, but if you are careful enough this will not happen to you.

What I can do for youth violence is holding classes for people who caused a fight, who was in a fight, or who saw a fight. I would ask them what happened that day that caused a fight to break out. Also I would hold classes for anger. What I mean by that is if someone is angry at something instead of taking it out on a person, they can hit a punching dummy or if they just want to talk about how they feel about the thing that made them angry. I feel that sometimes people just need someone to talk to when they’re in a pickle. This always happens to me. So when someone talks to me about something I can relate to them and feel the way they feel. That is what I can do for youth violence.
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When I think of youth violence, I think of bullying. I have seen bullying and family problems. Bullying can cause psychological damage. If you see bullying, you can report it and work to prevent it. When faced with a person you know is bullying, keep your cool. It is not safe to get involved in a fight. I have seen people get injured and killed in fights. When a child is faced with a bully, they should talk to a teacher or counselor. I have seen a child get injured and I have seen a child get killed. When a child is faced with a bully, they should talk to a teacher or counselor. They can help prevent injuries and deaths.