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Do The Write Thing

Have you ever thought how youth violence could affect people’s lives? Well, it can and it sometimes children (most likely) make really dumb choices and hurt themselves. Everyone has problems, but no one should cause them. We’re too young to have stress in our lives and to have no one to look back to when we need help.

What are the causes of violence?
Violence causes by many problems.
Like abuse at home, bullying, gangs, race, drug usage, the way people dress, envy, stealing, peer pressure, teen relationships, money, revenge, rumors/gossip, territory, emotional issues (Mental), sports related, loss of family, no guardians, religions, weapons, acceptance, etc.

Mostly violence is caused by kids who try to fit in with the others, get the same (expensive) shoes and clothing knowing that some can’t afford that. Everyone likes to gossip, especially girls, they take everything to their head. Guys are different, they get over and problem quickly.

As a teenage girl in the 8th grade, it was hard to not get into drama, but seriously everyone faces it in middle school.

What can we do to prevent violence?
We can do a lot of things to prevent these tragedies.
- Talk to an adult
- Join sports, clubs, and activities etc.
- Be assertive
- Avoid drugs/alcohol
- Respect other people
- Go to a community center
- Choose friends carefully
- Be a leader/role model
- Be nice to your classmates and friends
- Try to make new friend, and avoid the bad ones
- Don’t ever touch a weapons found on the street

How has it affected me?
Violence has affected my life, but not badly.
I have been bullied before, I sent a bullying report to my principal but he didn’t do nothing about it so I decided to just ignore them and do what I’m supposed to do.
Everything finally got to a point where I couldn’t stand it anymore and transferred schools to The Warren Prescott. It was hard to get used to the new curriculum here. Everyone was different, different cultures, different people. Everyone had their friends and I didn’t, I was new and was all alone. Well, I got along with everyone, but after a while I began to gain an attitude and no one liked it. It was hard to get rid of it, but I saw why they didn’t like the fact that I was a different person when all my classmates met the
"real" me. I remember when I started to talk about people and it wasn't right because when they talked about me, everything was false and I obviously didn't like it. Don't let other people bring you down, be confident and think about the positive.

Think Positive!

Be the bigger person and don't listen to what someone has to say about you because bullying does make them any cooler than they think they already are. Only losers would think stupidly and make fun of others.