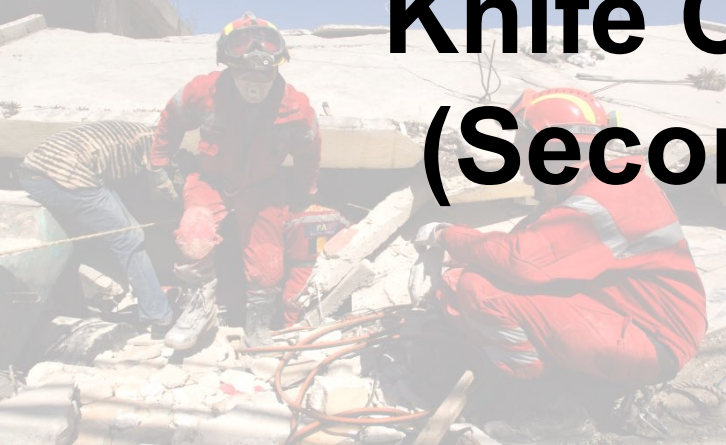




Knife Crime Prevention (Secondary Schools)



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Learning Objective

- To understand the consequences of carrying / using a knife.
- To understand the implications of joint enterprise.
- To investigate ways of addressing peer pressure.



Why would someone carry a knife?





Agree / Disagree

Young people carry knives.....



- To protect themselves/ territory.
- To gain respect from peers/ sense of belonging.
- For Thrill / sensation seeking.
- Because of Peer pressure.
- For Gain.



What / who has an influence on our decision making?





The Adolescent Brain

- **Very receptive to immediate reward.**
(Even if there are risks involved / delayed punishment.)
- **More time taken to make decisions.**
(Especially so if risk is involved).
- **Very sensitive to peer acceptance and rejection.**
(This decreases with age as self esteem builds. More self control.)





Carrying Knives – What are the risks?

- **Greatly increased chance of injury – to you or someone else (including fatal injury). 65% of those who carry a knife for self defence have the weapon used on them.**
- **Could be permanently excluded from school**
- **Could receive a fine.**
- **Could receive a criminal record.**
- **Could receive a custodial sentence.**



(Bringing it home) and the consequences will follow.



UK Law – How much do you know?



UK Law

1) It is not illegal to carry knife if it belongs to someone else.

TRUE

FALSE ✓

2) Police can search someone without a warrant (if they believe they are carrying a knife).

✓ **TRUE**

FALSE

UK Law

3) The maximum penalty for an adult carrying a knife is 6 months, 2 years or 4 years in Prison?

6 months

2 Years

4 Years



4) Anyone can buy a knife.

TRUE

FALSE





Who is guilty of murder? (Panorama: Lethal Enterprise).



UK Law

5) If you stab someone but don't intend to kill them you will not face a life sentence.

TRUE

FALSE ✓

6) Even if it's not you who does it, if someone is injured or killed by a knife in your presence, you could be sent to prison for murder or attempted murder.

✓ **TRUE**

FALSE



What happens if your friend gets caught with a knife (No knives, better lives).





Joint Enterprise



You could be found guilty if:

- You are part of the group and someone carries out an illegal act (violence, vandalism, arson etc).
- You knew a person was going to use violence or were carrying a weapon but remained part of the group (even if you didn't agree with this).





The Murder of Sofyen Belamouadden (aged 15)



Victoria Osoteku – aged 18



Eight Teenagers – found guilty
in connection with the murder.



Liam Taylor - 19



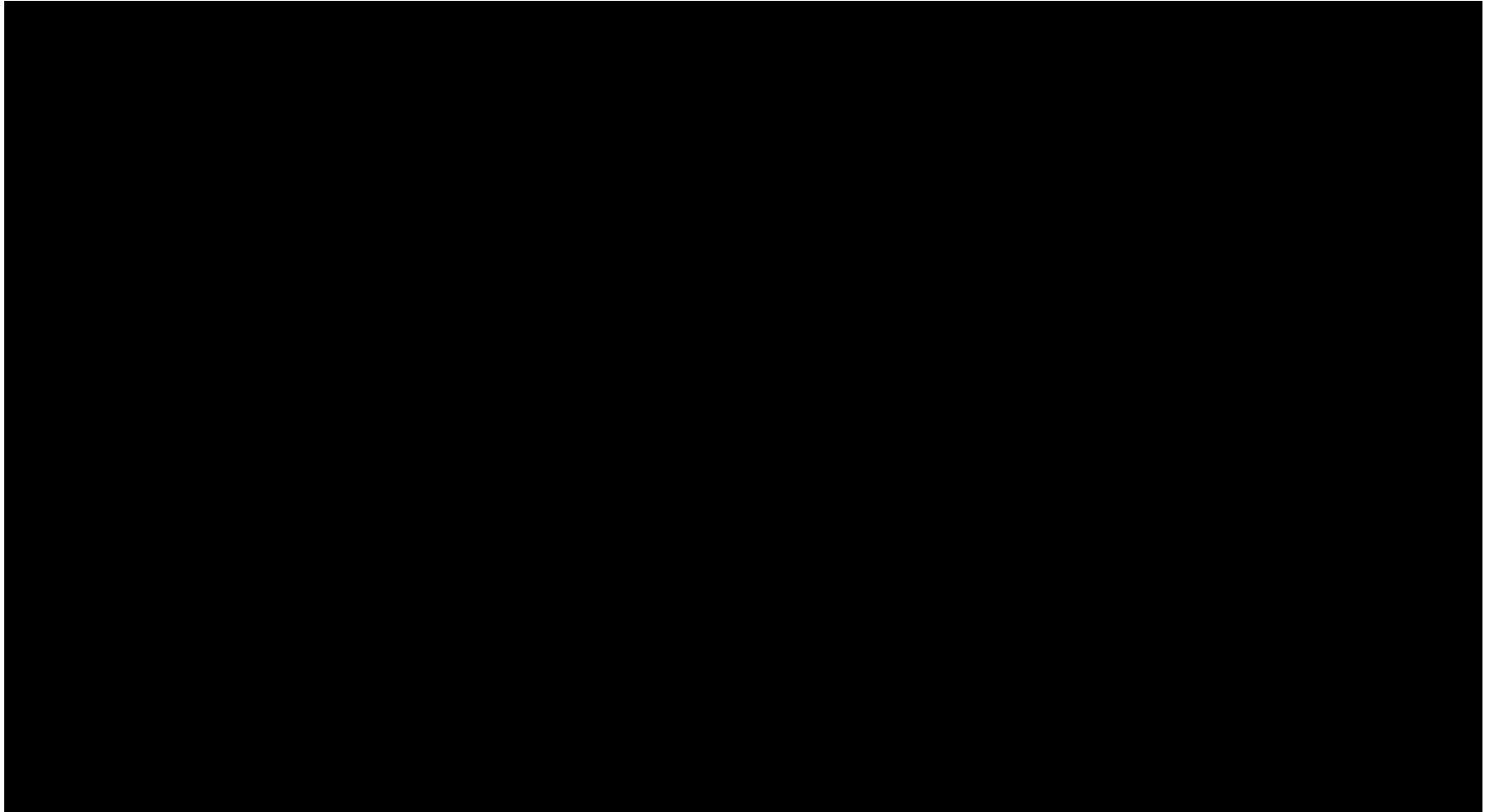


Jodie Chesney - 17





Sadam's Story





Mark's Story



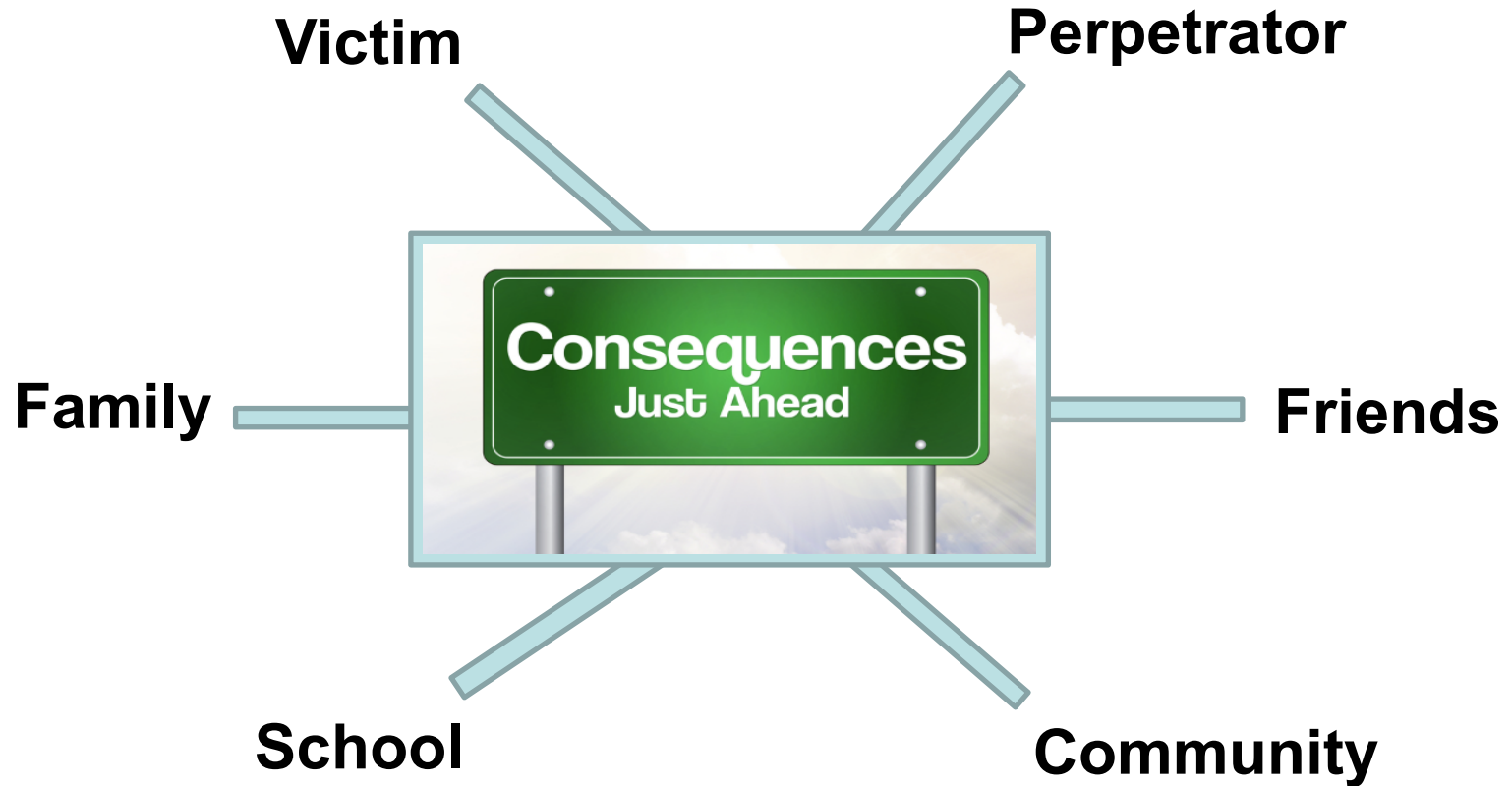
One knife, many victims (No Knives, better lives)



What (baby crying) ~~is my problem?~~



Mark's Story





Custodial Sentence.

What is life like in a Young Offenders Institute or Prison?



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No Knives in Essex – Dionne’s Story (Essex Police)





Knife Safety

- Confronted with a knife? Or think someone is carrying? **WALK AWAY.**
- **DON'T** think that you can talk to them and persuade them not to use it.
- **TELL** someone: - Teacher, Parent, Carer, Police



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The Silent Solution

- **Dial 999 then press 55 when prompted – to inform police you in a genuine emergency**





Thank you for listening



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