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Interview Questions-Grade 6-8
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1. What all do you notice about the picture?
2. Why do you think no one is helping the victim?
3. What kind of characteristics do you notice in the characters in the picture.
4. What would you do in this situation?
5. Why do you think Sky is following Rain?

Maya Bryant
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Rogers

Bonnie's Story

Bonnie silently walked the halls in search for Gale. The sound of her shoes hitting the marble floor echoed throughout the hall. She didn't see him anywhere around the halls, it was as if he had vanished into thin air. All she saw for as far as the eye could see was gray lockers that lined the halls. But as she walked on the sound of laughter started to bounce off the halls, joined with shouts. Bonnie frowns at the laughter commencing in the halls, everyone should be in class.

As Bonnie gets closer she notices Gale but to her surprise he was knocked over on the floor. Bonnie's frown deepened at the site, why was he on the floor. Before she could even attempt to move closer to him she hear the voice of the one and only Rain.

"Nothing about you is great you know, why do you even come to school!"

On instinct, like an animal, Bonnie moved away, to a hiding spot at best. Rain was a bully and his voice only meant trouble. She tucked herself away behind a locker. Moving in so close she could smell the dry paint on it.

"Loser."

Bonnie bit her bottom lip in anger. She always got angry hearing to stories of Rain bullying people, but now it was happening right in front of her. She was boiling, but no matter how much she wanted to help her legs didn't move. She knew deep down she was scared and that was why they wouldn't move. She was too afraid to do anything but watch. No matter how much fear or guilt dropped onto her chest she didn't move a muscle until Rain and his lackey, Sky, had disappeared from the scene.

- more figurative language or descriptive
- focused on topic
- make third person
- start at fight scene

Hayden Bogner
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6th period
Memoir

Memoir

April 20. That day was seared into my mind. That day I will never forget.

Okay, let me go back a little. My name's Gale, and this is the story of how I was bullied for the first time. My family and I are from Poland, we lived there because of our Jewish roots, but due to circumstances, we had to leave our home and move to the U.S. There, we started a new life. Unfortunately for us, another family also moved from a foreign country, a place called Germany. Now, mind you, I had nothing against Germany, but this family was vile. We feuded, of course, but that is not a part of this story.

My family enrolled me into a charter school called Brighten Academy. There was nothing wrong with the school, it was just different than what you would expect. It had a gym, playground, field, a good cafeteria, and acceptable classrooms. The only thing I would complain about would be the bathrooms. You could find water or other fluids on the floors of more than one bathroom. That is where the accident will happen, by the bathrooms. Now, I was the undeniable victim to this incident, I couldn't have had done anything to change the outcome. See, with the worst luck in the world, the vile family had a son who just happened to get enrolled into the same school (by lottery, no less) as I. He immediately disliked me, and I him.

By the second week of school, he had already recruited another person to make my life miserable. For most of the year I was able to avoid him by taking the long routes to classes, but, hey, when you gotta go, you gotta go. I was walking by the bathroom when, suddenly, I was shoved against the lockers. I was momentarily stunned, so it took me a second to realize that it was him, Rain. His sneer was as bad as a hyena's grin, and that was saying something. Behind

him was his loyal sidekick Sky. Everybody knew that Sky had a crush on Rain, but Rain was just too dumb to see it. Anyway, Rain and his hyena sneer didn't intimidate me, I knew he didn't hate me because he didn't get my religion, and yeah, he was also racist. It was hard to ignore the fact that he clearly hated my ethnicity. Anyway, along with Rain and Sky bearing down on me, unbeknownst to everybody, Bonnie, another victim of Rain, was hiding in the bathroom watching all that was going on. Anyway, after he had given me the whole standard monologue about how stupid my religion, he finally backed off when a teacher caught wind of the dilemma. Bonnie then approached me (I did not realize she was watching, so I was caught off guard) and said that she had an idea to get rid of Rain once and for all. I was all in.

Resolution

The plan was to videotape Rain bullying somebody and send it anonymously to the principal. After days of watching, they finally caught Rain in the act. When Rain realized what had happened in the office, he went on a rampage. He destroyed the principal's office, and even punched the principal. This, along with the video, contributed to him being expelled. Gale felt slightly bad, but then Gale remembered April 20, the day Rain pushed him against the lockers, the day that sent everything into motion, and Gale forgot all remorse. Rain's father eventually got a restraining order after he found out, because then He wrecked the principal's office, blame the genes, that what Gale says. Anyway Gale could start a new life, finally, away from any issues. Many things happened after Rain was suspended, Sky changed her ways, Bonnie was no longer a coward, and Gale was no longer afraid of bullies. Life was good, for the moment. So remember, when you have a problem, there is always someone or something that is out there that can help.