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Violence is in our world unfortunately. There are many types of violence like bullying and war. People sometimes are motivated to act in a violent way because they have little money. Another reason is they might want revenge on someone for doing something to them. Another reason is they might be drunk and act in a violent way. I have seen violence in my life, once I was in a car with my mom and we heard 5 gun shots. My mom saw people running across the street.my mom told me to get down. I got down in my seat immediately like I was told. When the light turned green my mom drove off when I got up I asked my mom what was going on. She said there was probably a shooting. I thought it was worse than that.

On the news I see violence, like the Isis war. Many people died by the Isis people. United States sent air strikes to Isis. I am only 12, I can't do big stuff like donate 200 million dollars to people who need money or start a big company. But I can smile at people who need money or a house and make them feel good. I can also stand up for people getting bullied. I could make the person getting bullied feel good. Violence is the reason that there are police officers protecting people. Dr Martin Luther King believed in nonviolence in the marches that he did. Some police officers in those days were violent toward blacks in marches. The Greensboro four sat down and did not leave until they got served. Although they did not get served they sat there in a nonviolent way. All the Woolworths stores were open to everybody not just whites.

Like I said earlier bullying is a type of violence. People might be motivated to bully because their life is not good and they want to take out their anger on someone. Or they are scared of the person they are bullying. I have never been bullied before but if I if did I would ether stick up for myself or tell a parent or teacher. Bullies might have bad parents and the bully might have a bad life. Violence has affected my life, my mom does not let me go and take out recyclables in the dark unless my brother is with me. I couldn't take the bus when I was 10 because my mom was worried that I would get kidnapped or hurt. In United States it is against the law to kidnap a person, to murder a person and to hurt a person really bad on purpose.