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## Why Violence?

Why violence?, is it because of the peer pressure  
 After the consequences do we realize the ideas are not clever  
 Why would we take or sell drugs?

Do we think we gain popularity, are we now thugs?

Why violence? is our bad childhood creating doubt  
 Do we think nobody can help us, do we think violence is the easy way out

Why violence? do we realize we are causing pain by the hour

We need to realize these guns are hurting not giving power

Do we get affected by our violence driven neighborhoods

Is this the problem or is the lack of attention being given misunderstood

Should I talk to the youth to get them to their senses

Should I make them look through their parents lenses

Should I try to place them in a program

Will they know it's out of concern and is not a scam

Maybe I should have the access to media limited

This might cause future sentences to be lifted

I've been affected by violence seeing it grow from a plant to a tree

This caused me to look at the parents and express sympathy

Affected by the thought of being in the youth's position

Would I be another cause of violence or would I lower suspicion

The youth constantly being offered guidance

This would lead me to ask the question,

## WHY VIOLENCE?

by ~~Paul Alexis~~

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