

Sian, Charlie, Deano and Jason meet up in the park on the way to a mate's party. Charlie doesn't get on that well with Deano and Jason; they both take drugs and Jason sometimes carries a knife. They have been drinking, and are making a bit of noise. When a nearby resident comes over and tells them to be quiet, Jason pulls out a knife from his jacket and threatens him. As the resident runs off, Charlie says to Jason that stupid it is to start threatening people like that.

Jason becomes aggressive towards Charlie and the two square up to each other. Sian stands in between them to calm them down, and they break apart, but then Jason turns and leaps at Charlie, reaching for his jacket pocket. Sian and Deano both jump in, and for a second all four are locked together. Then there's a loud shout, and Jason pulls back and falls to his knees; his body covered in blood, cut with his own knife.



- 1 Whose fault was it that Jason got hurt?
- 2 If Jason had stabbed Charlie or one of his other friends, what do you think would have happened then?
- 3 What laws do you think have been broken?
- 4 What were the other factors that led to the fight breaking out?
- 5 What do you think will happen to Jason now?
- 6 What could Charlie, or (any of the others), have done to stop this from happening?
- 7 How do you think the other characters feel?
- 8 What do you think the other characters (Sian and Deano) could have done to try and stop what happened from happening?

Extension

Try to make up your own situation, showing the dangers of carrying a knife. Create a short role-play or situation, and think about how things could turn out differently if your characters behave in a different way to Charlie and Deano here. (You could make them either better or worse depending on what you want to show!)