

## Commentary:

Throughout the course we undergo a number of exercises and discussions about **decision making** and **trigger points**. We ask writers to look at their characters and try to identify what drives their actions. We also examine negative thinking and destructive patterns of behaviour. In this story the writer illustrates how negative thoughts about their character's school environment leads to a damaging pattern of behaviour.

## The Story Of JayK-47

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Once Upon a time there was this kid named Jayk his was born in the city of Madison Wisconsin and he's 14 Years old With Blond Twist with hazel eyes and stood 5.5ft. The Reason why his name is Jayk because growing up listening to rap artist his favorite rap artist was TayK 47 and it inspired him to change his name to JayK 47. Not saying this kid wants to be like him, but he wanted to change his name because it sounded way better to him and that also inspired him to be rapper to keep him out of trouble. JayK weren't bad but seemed to be getting in a whole bunch of criminal activity and couldn't control his problems.

One time the police were looking for him and he decided to go on the run. Staying at his friend house, he started making music videos for fun. He was living the worst life he could at his friend's house who filmed him wildin' out over music. He posted music videos online. One of his song was going out to the population named "Jayk on the

run." The song had at least 10 million views on YouTube and Soundcloud. A few months later Jayk got in an incident with his friends and got caught on camera fighting an old man. He plenty of incidents online and a couple weeks later Jayk got arrested and got taken to Juvenile Detention Center. While Jayk was in JRC, the phrase and hashtags 'FREEJAY-K47' was started. Some people even printed t-shirts with the phrase and his biggest hits 'JayK On The Run' and 'I Heart My Choppa.' While on the JayK 47 and his producer Latrell made their own label called Cash Money Kartell Entertainment and My Brothers Keepers Entertainment were two record label they came up with and while JayK was away his producer Latrell was making a lot of money off of JayK 47 hit songs and campaign.

We Interviewed JayK and he was saying he wanted to get his family out of the troubling area's because he lives right next to an area that is the most troubling area on the Madison West Side and it's called Theresa Terrace. In that area there's a lot of criminal activity and police floating around.

There's even signs saying 'No Stopping, No Standing' and 'Neighborhood Watch.' Just knowing that area is a troubling area because MPD ride around that area everyday circling the area's around it and all and that's the reason why JayK wants to move his family away. Yet JayK knew it would take at least a year to move anywhere, so he has to deal with his issues that his living with. JayK 47 is still in Juvenile Detention Center making

his fans go crazy with his inspiring music, but he can't make any music while's he's in corrections. JayK 47 was in corrections for sixteen days, and his plan when he gets out is to make more music and get off probation. He trying to change his life around, but living in a troubling area is going to be hard for the kid cause he has fans and friends that's probably going to expect the same personality out of JayK47 that thug personality. But this kid is trying to grow out of that personality because it's going to get him in a place that he doesn't want to be, he's already been in corrections for sixteen days so you expect him to wrong while he's in the streets again? ...... My answer is no, he's wants to change his life around so he doesn't have to go through the same issues that he was going through in his life -

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## Part 2 - Raising 47 Hell

JayK's struggling all started when he in 6<sup>th</sup> grade at Thomas Jefferson Middle School when him and another student were going to fight in a classroom and a teacher got in the way and JayK pushed the teacher out of the way, and she fell to the ground. Screaming the teacher told JayK get out the classroom and go to the principal office. When JayK

went to the office and told the principal, the principal told him he was suspended for 8 days and he was switching his classroom. JayK got a little angry when he said that and JayK decided to leave the office and didn't go back to school for a couple days after his suspension. When JayK decided to come to school and was switched to another classroom and team he decided not to go to any of his classes at all. He was missing a lot of his homework and tests even his grades wasn't the best at all. A month later the principal decided to switch to his school because he wasn't doing well, but JayK still decided to show up to his regular school and him and the principal had an incident. JayK didn't only get removed from his regular school he got expelled from his regular school and ended up at another school called Pride Middle School. He went there for the rest of his 6th grade year. 7th grade year JayK thought he couldn't come back to his regular school, but his thought was wrong. JayK came back to his regular school and started doing a little better, but JayK ruined it by giving them hell once he got in trouble. The principal decided to switch his school to Toki Middle school. While JavK was going to Toki Middle school the hell that he had at Jefferson Middle School he bought it Toki Middle school and the Toki principal didn't give JayK any chances, he straight expelled him from the school.

Eventually the school district didn't even know where to place this kid so they decided to put him back in his regular school Thomas Jefferson Middle School. But JayK still gave them hell I mean 'Hell,' fighting classmates, fighting staff, skipping classes, all types of reckless issues for this kid.

The principal had a staff meeting and even the staff didn't want this kid in their school, but that was the only choice they had for him and they decided to continue to keep him in his regular school until the 8th grade. They placed him in another attentive school, Jayk decided to clean up his act so they would keep him in regular school and started going to his classes. He started getting his grades up, but in his mind he keep thinking he wanted to still give the school hell because he felt like he had to do that to run the school and make people do his commandments. But this is a kid that couldn't get his way at all. He was troubled so he started to give the school hell even worse. Finally the principal had enough and the school stopped it JayK had no more chances. They switched his school to N.I.P. and that stands for Neighborhood Intervention Program for kids that have issues in their neighborhood or their school.

While JayK was in N.I.P. he gave the same hell, however N.I.P. school the rules was different. Instead of getting suspended, they would call the police and take kids to detention and they decided to take JayK to detention for an hour or two, then he got out and while his was in there his mind thinking was to give the streets hell, so he started doing criminal activity. He decided to go on the run and skip probation to do his own thing. So he started making more issues for his self and then eventually he made too much police contact and

they decided to arrest JayK again, then a couple days later he got out and school was starting back up. JayK was gonna be in the 9<sup>th</sup> grade at Memorial High School.

