

Did I do good?

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Riddle me this. What would you do if you were a social outcast ,who was always seen as the nobody, the punching bag for others? Well, you would probably tell an adult about it or do something yourself. Well, that's exactly what I did. Let me explain how everything happened.

My name is Djimon Underwood, I'm 17, and I live in Africa in the year 2048 with an alcoholic addicting father. My mother died of an illness when I was 12 and I didn't have lots of friends growing up, in fact, I didn't have any friends growing up. Everytime I go to school I am always getting my things taken. But, there's one guy who I hate most. His name is Abiola, he takes away all of my belongings , and when I don't bring anything he uses me as a personal punching bag for enjoyment. Everytime I go home, my dad would yell at me for being late, he'd even throw empty beer bottles at my head.

Saturday

The beginning of the week, usually most people would play outside, but knowing me all I did was stay inside in my room. Thinking to myself what I could've done differently in my life to not be treated this way. Just listening to my own thoughts as I listen to music on my phone.

Sunday

I tried going outside for a walk since it was supposed to be a nice day. After walking for around 20 minutes, I ran into someone. It was a pretty looking girl, she had blue eyes and a poofy bun. I felt nervous at first since I never really talked to a girl before, and I thought I would get laughed at. But when I walked towards her, she seemed nice. She didn't take anything from me nor call me any names, she just talked to me like I was a normal person. I paused for a second processing what had just happened because it seemed like no one ever liked me. I regained my composure and introduced myself. She smiled and said "Nice to meet you, my name is Alheri Nakimera." It made me smile to see how I might have actually made my first friend.

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We walk together getting to know each other more. Once we got to my house I said goodbye and went inside of my home and only thought about that girl, I knew she was perfect for me, I would do anything for her, anything.

Monday

I woke up around 6:00 and got ready for school. As I was eating a bowl of cereal, I saw my dad come out of his room. He yelled across the hallway "Hey, instead of being a good for nothing son, how about you make yourself useful and get me a beer from the store." I explained that I can't since I had no money and that school started in 10 minutes. He then looked at me with a furious look and said with a raging tone "Huh, you dare disobey your own father." I can see his fist clenching, wanting to hit me but he then huffed and walked away.

Once I walked to school, I saw Alheri. I panic just by seeing her presence, hoping I didn't look idiotic. As I was walking, someone grabbed my shoulder and pulled me behind the school gate. I get pushed against the wall and I see who it was that pulled me. Abiola. "Listen here, boy," he said intimidatingly. "You ain't going nowhere 'till you give me all of your money." I got nervous, I pretended that I reached in my pocket and as soon as I turned my body at a 27 degree angle I turned around and right hook him, right on the side of his face.

While he took a few steps back, I ran as fast as I could, I ran into the school right into my classroom. We had a test today in math class, everyone else struggled but I finished my test like it was made in the first grade. I took my test up to my teacher feeling good about myself, but my teacher still failed me. I explained how I got them all right even showing my work. But my teacher still failed me and said "How do I know you didn't cheat, how else would you have finished this test so fast." I explain how it would be impossible since I didn't have my phone or a computer. But she didn't want to hear it. She just told me to go back to my seat. After waiting an extra hour with nothing to do, lunch started. I went to the cafeteria and once I grabbed my food some kids with Abiola came and smacked my tray out of my hands saying that after school I was gonna pay for punching him.

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I said "Sure, I'll meet you after school." A few hours later, once school ended I headed to the back of the school I saw something I will never forget. I look behind the school to see Abiola cornering Alheri. I then saw Abiola forcefully kiss her though it was clear she didn't want to. She ran away crying and that is when I lost it. As soon as he turned around I punched him right in his nose making him bleed a bit. He seemed angrier this time and I ran when he started chasing me, which is exactly what I wanted. I ran into the woods behind our school. I hid behind a few bushes, watching him looking for me. After 1 minute, he screams out "Where are you Djimon." I grab a larch branch from the ground and say "I'm right here." I slam the branch right on his head. I repeatedly hit his head with the branch over and over and over again. While hitting him I scream "NEVER TOUCH HER AGAIN." Once I stopped I realised what I have done. I killed him.

I never felt so good yet so awful at the same time. I grab his body and hide it between some bushes with the branch. I walk back to the school where I see Alheri crying at the bleachers. I walk up to her and tell her that I told the principal about what happened and that he got expelled. She hugs and thanks me. I ask her "Did I do good?" She responds with "Yes, you did good." I think to myself that if I keep this going she would want to be mine.

Tuesday

When I go to school, kids are staring at me, I think "Did they find out what I did?" I walk to class and my teacher tells me that the principal wants me. I walk to the office and I see my father sitting there too. That's when I really started to panic. I walked in thinking the worst but it turns out it was just a bunch of test grades. Apparently I had been failing all of my classes. My dad looked furious. I tried to tell him that I wasn't and that the teachers just didn't like me. The principal stated that I would have to miss an event happening on Thursday, which is a school dance. I got mad because I wanted to ask Alheri out on the dance. My dad said we're leaving and dragged me out of the office and into the car. When we got home he threw me in the living room and got out a belt. I tried to tell him it wasn't my fault but he didn't listen. He then proceeded to hit me. After hitting me a couple times he stopped. He said that I deserve worse and

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picked me up, tied me to a chair and brought in a bunch of tarantulas. They surrounded me while my dad watched and laughed.

Once he left I heard him turn on the Tv and fall asleep. I had nearly lost my sanity from the abuse. I snapped and lost my mind. I pulled my arms, breaking the ties and rubbing the spiders off of me. I walked to my dad and tied his arms and legs. I grab his beer bottle that was half empty and pour it on him. I then grabbed a match, lit it, and I laughed as I put the lit match on him. He then screamed while trying to get up but just ended up falling to the ground. I laughed maniacally watching him burn. Once he stopped moving I poured water so it wouldn't burn the house down.

Thursday

It's time for the dance. I go to school and see everyone wearing fancy clothes. When I saw Alheri I got ready and walked up to her. When I got within 19 feet away, I saw she already had someone to dance with her. I couldn't believe it, the only person who I truly cared about was already going to date someone else. I couldn't let this happen. I smile and chuckle as I see him. I knew he was next. When the dance started I only followed him everywhere he went. When we got in the auditorium I nearly lost him in the crowd of people. I still managed to follow him all the way until he went into the bathroom. I walked in there while he was fixing his tie. I walked behind him and strangled him with his own tie. I released once he stopped moving. But, he wasn't dead, just unconscious.

I dragged his body into a bathroom stall trying to make it look like he just fell asleep. But once I picked up his body someone walked in. When he saw me he ran away in fear. I knew I would get caught so I chased him. When he got on stage interrupting everyone dancing, He says that I killed Alheri's date. Everyone thought he's crazy and kept telling him to get off stage. I didn't listen and grabbed a fire axe that was on the wall. I screamed and slammed the axe onto his head. He collapsed and everybody screamed and ran. I chased after them looking for Alheri. I remember killing 5 others. I see Alheri running into a closet. I run towards her but a student tackles me to the ground. He repeatedly punched me till my nose broke. I screamed in pain as my hand still held tight to the axe. In the corner of my eye I see Alheri run away to the second

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floor. I kicked him off of me and grabbed the axe. All I remember is cutting him with a lot of force. So much till it covered my face and body in red. While running I saw cops outside, so I had to find Alheri quickly.

While looking on the second floor, I found her. She was hiding in the corner. I heard the cops slam open the first floor door. While I was distracted, Alheri pushed me, making me fall down the stairs. When I got up she screamed, "Why are you doing this?" I laughed and responded with, "I DID THIS FOR YOU," I picked up the axe, "Years of abuse, you're the only person I had. I killed Abiola and my father. And it's only a matter of time before I kill everyone else who gets in our way. What do you think of that Alheri, This is my perfect victory, THAT'S RIGHT I WIN." When I run towards her with the axe, a cop comes around the corner and shoots me 5 times in the back. I dropped the axe and fell to the ground. I climbed halfway up the stairs until my body stopped. I knew I was about to die. I turned around and laughed like I saw a comedy. When Alheri left the school, my last words were "Alheri...did I do good?"