

Gang violence



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Gang violence is a major problem in our society today. Gang violence could take place in our neighborhoods and corrupt the young children easily influenced by the violent behavior as well. In the two poems, *Leather-Jackets, Bikes and Birds?* By Robert Davies and *Street Gang?* By H. Webster, the two poets write about gang related issues discussing the ill-mannered bikers who cause these problems to other around them. These poems discuss the violence, death and illegal activity in which a number of people participated in, which like reality is the problematic truth.

Both poems are similar because their main intention is gang related violence issues in society today and the distinctive character of the darker side in human nature which causes the harmful consequences of a corrupt humanity. The communication strategies used by both poets are able to grasp the reader's interest due to the fact that both poems have similar methods of word selection which is diction and are able to describe the psychological minds of aggressive behavior. The poem?

Leather-Jackets, Bikes and Birds? Has a sentence that describes the type of characteristics gang members have and illustrate their overall presence around others. For example when the poet writes, pretending they are looking for trouble?? Demonstrates that the individuals of a gang gather not to enjoy themselves but to cause excitement among themselves for the wrong reasons. Another quote from the poem that describes the psychological mind of gang members is? Because you've got to be hard to be a leather-jacket??

This quote shows that gang members have a mindset that they must be tough, strong and overall powerful to gain their respect. Similarly, the poem? Street Gang? The description of violence used and the defeat against law is well detailed by the actions caused by aggressive behavior. For example when the poet writes? The law overthrown?? Describes that the street gang members do not consider the law at hand and make a choice based on their psychological mind structure and use forceful actions upon their victims.

Furthermore, literary devices such as imaginary, alliteration, repetition, oxymoron, onomatopoeia, simile and parallel structure used in both poems displayed a greater understanding towards poetry and defined both as comparable poems. The poems? Leather-Jackets, Bikes and Birds? And? Street Gang? Are not in rhyme and I believed both poets have formed the poems without rhyme because the tone of seriousness towards this issue was to be brought out to the reader's attention concerning the subject of violence? The literary devices used in the poem?

Leather-Jackets, Bikes and Birds? Where such as imaginary, parallel structure, alliteration and connotation. Imaginary of the sense of smell which came from the quote? The aroma of espresso? the color of espresso is a dark color and the taste is bitter and I believe the poet has used a literary device to bring out the quote in more depth so it would be easier for the reader to understand the significance to the quote and how it is related to the overall subject matter which in this case would be violence caused by gang members.

Also the second imaginary device of the sense of sight found within the poem would be? Hope the motor lights will not be dipped too much so that other will see them?? Shows the fact that the leather jackets have a power or control over their appearance and presence around others which causes fright and terror. Another interesting artistic way of using literary devices within the poem was when the poet used parallel structure and alliteration both in one sentence which was, ? they stand, smoking, swearing, playing with girls..?

The poet had written this to show that the gang members have nothing better to do but to decay their minds with rubbish during their gatherings where they stand looking to cause trouble around them. Likewise, the poem? Street Gang? Had also used literary devices such as repetition, imaginary, oxymoron, onomatopoeia, simile and parallel structure. One of the imaginary senses of thought used in the poem was? By any thoughts of the uncertain future (apparently): absorbed in the present??

I believe this was on very important quote because it states that the gang members only thought of present, not future. Another literary device was oxymoron and the quote for it was? Glow in the darkness?? Which I believe was used because darkness was one work that would repeatedly come up over and over again because it has such great importance relating to the members of the gang and their outer appearance and inner thoughts, both filled with wickedness. Another literary technique used in this poem was simile, identified at least as living creatures??

This quote was written by the poet just before the gang members committed their crime and caused injuries to their victim. I believe the author chose this device because he wanted to illustrate the level of insanity the gang members had reached, indicating their poor decision making. The last literary device found within the poem was a parallel structure and the example is, gouged, stamped on, crucified?? This was during the physical attacking happening between the gang members and their victim.

I believe literary devices and structure are relevant to the harmful consequences of a corrupt humanity because the aspect of no future involved with the lives of these individuals, demonstrates the fact the gang members themselves are betraying one another by destroying each other's future. Additionally, the objective of both poems is connected with one another because both poems have the same opinions towards gang violence issues. In the poem? Leather-Jackets, Bikes and Birds? the poet writes about many gang related problems in the poem such as the bad influence of rude behavior to the gang members themselves.

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The poet writes about the violent past that comes from people who think negative in life and also the harmful hostility that they cause to others around them. For example? His blood streams across the pavement?? Was the quote right after the victim was attacked by the gang? This quote has importance because it describes the type of damage caused by the gang and how they have nothing better to do in life other than cause trouble to innocent people when they have gatherings with one another at coffee bars. Again this poet also describes how the gang members have gatherings for example?

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Gangs are a violent reality that people have to deal with in today. On the surface, gangs are a direct result of human beings personal wants and peer pressure. Violence is a problem, and it is a problem that should be addressed. Gang violence is the bad side of our world and it is the cruel side of life. Society is at its peak and its waiting for us to come out and change the cruel world by changing the heartless people within it who damage this world and are the cause of violence. Work Cited " Gang Violence and Biker Gangs. " 123HelpMe. com. 14 Dec 2011