

Opioid Prevention Graphic Novel Viewing Guide

Introduction through October 8th



PRE-VIEWING QUESTION:

What do you know about drug abuse and addiction? What can a person lose due to addiction?



INTRODUCTION.

Click on each character on the left of the screen and learn more about the characters' interests, ages, and their relationships to each other.



AUGUST/SEPTEMBER.

Why was Alex prescribed pain medication?

How does the pill make Alex feel?

What's been going on with Alex during the 1st month or so of school?



OCTOBER 8TH

Take a look at Alex's bank account and grades. What does this tell you about Alex?

Chris says, "Chill out, you guys. You don't have to be together every second... we'll be back soon." What does this secret tell you?

Chris says, "They come from a doctor, right? If they were that bad they'd be illegal." What is your thought on this statement?

Alex says, "Don't worry about it, we just did a couple shots of tequila... yeah, I'm feeling pretty good." Why did Alex just lie to his girlfriend if previously he just said "it's not a big deal"?



NOVEMBER 18TH

Chris and Alex have continued to use pain pills on the weekends. Chris scored some Oxy and is selling them to Alex. Chris lets know Alex know he's broke. This might cause some issues, what kind of issues do you think are starting to happen?

Take a look at Alex's bank account.

Why is Alex continuing to use?



DECEMBER 12TH

How are drugs impacting Alex's life (take a look at his bank account, grade report, job at the sub shop and Kim)?

How does Matt feel about the borrowing and the partying?

Chris says, "this is the same type of stuff." Using context clues, do you think that is true?

In this section of the story, what is Alex doing and saying, and how is he feeling that could be signs of developing an addiction?

February 14 - March 22



FEBRUARY 14TH

What does the bank account say?

How are Chris and Alex feeling?

After the scene in Chris bedroom, do you think Alex truly is fine?



MARCH 19TH

What is happening with Alex (bank statements, grades, job, etc.)?

What is Alex doing? What concerns is his mom pointing out?



MARCH 21ST

What was Alex caught doing at school?



MARCH 22ND

The story leaves off with Chris calling 9-1-1 at the park. Knowing the decisions Alex made, how did it impact his relationships?

Chris:

Alex:

Kim:

Matt:

Family:

General Questions

How did Alex's opioid use progress from the beginning to the end of the story?

Do you think Alex knew he was becoming addicted or did he only realize it after it was too late?

Why do you think Chris did not stay after Alex overdosed?

Does everyone who experiments with drugs get addicted? Why or why not?



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