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Choices and Influential Factors: Scenario 4

Scenario 4: Charlie and Jamie - Alcohol and Driving



Charlie and Jamie, both in grade 8, are enjoying a long weekend at Charlie's family cabin. Charlie and Jamie are becoming bored watching videos and listening to music. Since Charlie's parents are out visiting their friends next door, Charlie and Jamie decide to each drink a beer. Charlie said their parents' beers have been in the fridge a long time, and they wouldn't notice if a few go missing.

A little later, Charlie and Jamie decide to go to the corner store to pick up some snacks. Charlie wants to drive his ATV to the store. Jamie expresses concern that they'll get in trouble if anyone finds out that they drove the ATV after drinking a beer. Charlie says it's fine because they only had one beer each. Besides, Charlie knows lots of friends who drive their ATVs after a couple of beers, so it must be okay.

Consider the factors that may influence Charlie and Jamie's decisions to drink beer and drive an ATV. Explain how these factors may positively or negatively influence their choices.

MEDIA

Consider the influences of social media in this situation.

COMMUNITY

How may the community or school influence Charlie or Jamie in this situation? Consider the laws, rules or regulations in school and community around alcohol.

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FAMILY

Consider how family could influence Charlie and Jamie's decision to drink or not drink alcohol.

PEER GROUPS

Consider how Charlie and Jamie could influence one another.

KNOWLEDGE AND EXPERIENCES

Consider why it is important for Charlie and Jamie to know about alcohol and its effects in order to make safer decisions. Think about the safety considerations when drinking alcohol, including driving motorized vehicles.

SELF-CONCEPT

Consider how self-concept may influence Charlie and Jamie.