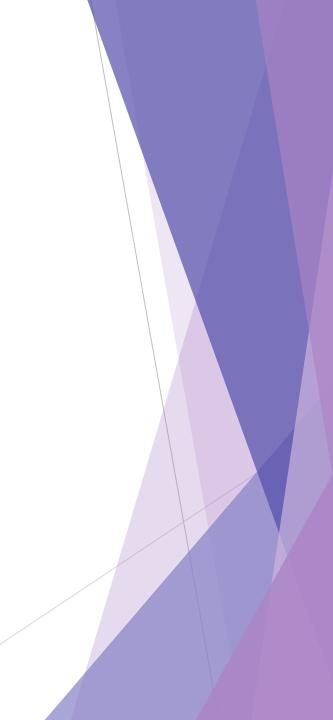
# Gangs

Why People Join Gangs, Initiation and Risks

# Why might people join a gang?

Read Part 1 of the story titled "Resource One - how it might start..."

Can you identify the signs that somebody has joined a gang?



## Why might people join a gang?

Read part 2 of the story.

Are the reasons people join gangs based on accurate beliefs? (ie, do they provide safety? Identity? etc)

Why might it be difficult to resist the influence of joining a gang?

What can a person do if they feel pressured in to joining a gang?

### **Risks and Consequences**

Read part 3 of the story.

1. What do you think might be in the package?

#### 2. What risks might there be for Jay in keeping and delivering the package?

3. Why do you think Jay agreed?

### Fact or Myth

Read part 4 of the story.

For each of the statements on resource 3: Fact or Myth, decide whether you think it is a fact or a myth.

### **Making Predictions**

Read part 5 of the story.

1. What might Zach want Jay to do?

2. What might Ariana mean when she tells Jay that he will get special privileges like Zach?

3. Why does Jay have to prove his loyalty to Zach?

### Making the Right Decision

Did Jay make the right decision?

Make a table or list of all the things Jay gained (or thinks he gained) from joining the gang, against all of the things he had to sacrifice or lose.