

# Startin' Shit.

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[Something we don't talk enough about is fighting, both literal and metaphorical.

Like every other topic under the sun, the majority of us learned the wrong lessons about it from feminized, domesticated fathers, or the wrong lessons about it from single mothers in the complete absence of a father.

So most of you learned about when to fight either from a woman, or from someone who learned from a woman. Women understand as much about how and when to fight as cats understand about refining crude oil, because, as with most other things, women are unable to imagine the perspective and experience of anyone who isn't a woman.

"Just don't do it", women will say. "Just walk away", as if you always had that option.

Women see violence as a sort of natural disaster that comes along and wrecks everyone's shit, like a hurricane, and if only no one would do it, everything would just be much better. This is because they are unequipped to deal with it, and therefore do not wish to confront the fact that violence is the default state of all living things.

*Any moment you do not have to fight is a privilege earned with wealth, technology, planning, allies, or other resources.*

We know that "don't fight" is stupid woman-speak, issuing from the childish mind of someone who has the privilege of going through her entire life protected by default by violence and conflict. But we also know that overwhelmingly it is stupid, insecure, broke-ass, trashy losers who throw down the most.

So is avoiding conflict cowardly? Or is getting in fights and arguments a loss of frame, and hence weakness?

There's a stupidly simple principle to resolve this question. Fighting is expensive, but it can get us things. That's *why* fighting is the default state of all living things. We need to fight to get the things we need to survive, and to prevent others from the taking those things.

**Every conflict has a cost, and a prize.**

**Fight for good prizes.**

**Don't fight for stupid prizes.**

Every time you find yourself in a conflict, whether it's a dick-measuring contest with some reddit stranger, or someone trying to beat you senseless with a crowbar, **know what it is you are fighting to win**. A momentary feeling of vindication is not a good prize. Getting to walk away with all your body parts is an excellent prize, as is the respect of people in your social network, the ability to live free of fear, etc.

Always know what you are fighting for. Never fight for a stupid prize because you are proud and insecure. Never fail to fight for a good prize because you are afraid, or straitjacketed by feminized "niceness-as-morality". Whether it's a argument or a gunfight, a conflict is an obstacle between you and your goal, and whether you are startin' shit or just finishing it, the goal determines the effort.

## Whisper

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rp\_valiant • 47 points • 24 October, 2015 10:35 PM

As the old saying goes, "play stupid games, win stupid prizes". Don't only consider what you stand to gain; take into account what you stand to lose too. To be worthwhile, the gain should outweigh the risk. Thus, risking injury to stave off death is an obvious win, and arguing with people on the internet (or feminists in real life) is simply pointless.

With physical confrontations, your first act in any fight should be to figure out an escape route. If there's an escape route, take it. If not, go nuclear. Break bones, gouge eyes, pull a weapon and use it. The best way to neutralise an opponent is through massive aggression and overkill. You're much better off hospitalising the other guy in the first 3 seconds of a fight than risking him or his buddy pulling a weapon or having the fight turn into a 3-on-1 beatdown. Obviously this only applies to serious street fights, not school fights - if you get into a fight with a stranger on the street, assume the worst and move to incapacitate him as soon as possible if you're not able to escape.

arcaneadam • 17 points • 25 October, 2015 02:43 AM

In the military we called this violence of action.

In most fights the winner is the one with the best training, but violence of action will win the day in almost all cases where the ability levels are similar. It will even make up for a perceived deficit in size or strength.

When faced with a choice act quickly and with all of the force you can generate.

[deleted] • 6 points • 25 October, 2015 10:39 PM

"The warrior should be shocking in his onset and perfect in his timing." - Sun Tzu

TheSupr3m3Justic3 • 24 points • 25 October, 2015 03:18 AM [recovered]

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I can't stress that last paragraph enough either.

I grew up fighting. Same mistake I seen countless people make, they thought there were rules in a street fight....there are no rules.

If you fight on the streets or anything like it, you fight to live, you don't know what someone else is carrying or what they are capable of.

Grab and/or hit in the nuts, bite, elbow, knee, headbutt, fucking belly to back suplex.....you don't want to be the one in the hospital or the ground.

situ139 • 18 points • 25 October, 2015 03:24 AM [recovered]

exactly and keep in mind of intent, if a dude has a baseball bat or a lead pipe he's not looking to injure you he's looking to kill you.

laere • 11 points • 25 October, 2015 01:40 PM

Law 15: Crush Your Enemy Totally

draketton • 3 points • 24 October, 2015 11:35 PM

But how do you train to break bones and gouge eyes if you didn't have a rough childhood that let you get away with that sort of thing? I grew up with parents and teachers who came down really hard on me for fighting so I never once in 19 years got a chance to fight, no matter how badly I wanted to hit some asshole who was pushing my buttons.

I'm strong but I have zero practical experience fighting and if I took up martial arts or something like that I'd be constrained by a lot of rules which would form bad habits.

EquestrianWrangler26 • 13 points • 25 October, 2015 01:03 AM

if i was you i would get into boxing or something...yeah you're strong but a little guy who knows how to fight could kick the shit out of you...look at manny pacquiao im sure youre taller than 5'5...

rp\_valiant • 9 points • 24 October, 2015 11:38 PM

You'd be surprised what you're capable of in the heat of the moment. Training does help (martial arts, although the actual moves are rarely practical for street fights - it's more for discipline) but by and large you can trust your instincts in a fight. When the adrenaline ramps up and your body goes into fight-or-flight mode, you might well find yourself kicking the living shit out of someone without really thinking about it. Not that you can think about it - you sort-of "black out" during a real fight. The idea behind my comment is to reinforce that you shouldn't be holding that instinct back - that's how you get sucker punched or stabbed. Just follow your instinct to basically try to kill the other person, and you'll automatically calm down once the threat is neutralised i.e. knocked out/fleeing.

billcosbyeatsbabies • 1 point • 26 October, 2015 12:29 AM

i love a good dose of my reptilian mind going into overdrive

IVlaskerade • 2 points • 25 October, 2015 03:50 AM

Eye gouging doesn't require training. Poke your fingers in there. If you can get a thumb in, go to town. Breaking bones is more difficult because it's all about leverage, but if you can get it you can reliably cripple joints like elbows and knees.

Honestly, though, the best thing to do is get your ass to a martial arts gym ASAP and start learning.

[deleted] • 1 point • 25 October, 2015 05:32 PM

I read somewhere that breaking a hyperextended human elbow only requires 10 to 15 lbs of force applied in the wrong direction.

That's not a huge amount of pressure.

[deleted] • 1 point • 25 October, 2015 10:41 PM

Hang out in the ghetto, or start a fight club. Youll get opportunities to fight.

[deleted] • 1 point • 27 October, 2015 05:22 AM

The weakest spots are the joints. The weakest joint for it's size is the knee. a kick or sweep to the back of the knee will always bring an opponent down. It only takes very little power to fracture a knee cap too. Often they break from falls with any force if impacted directly.

[deleted] • 25 points • 25 October, 2015 10:18 AM

I'm 27 yo now. I have six years experience of working in night life..dj, waiter, manager, bouncer..I've done it all. I had one. Just one fight. And about 1000 chances for escalation. Physical self defense is last resort and it means you already failed.

99% of fights can be avoided if you are aware of what other people do and how they behave. You have to be able to read body language and other subtle cues that show that there could be something. It's also useful to recognize types of violence and archetypes of people eg you need to see who's submissive, who's predatory, who's frustrated etc. It's like dating mating dance, fighting can be pretty similar. Understanding it will save you from troubles and keep you healthy.

UrsusG • 17 points • 25 October, 2015 01:30 PM

Another smart comment in a sea of posturing and advice from armchair Krav Maga experts.

[deleted] • 1 point • 25 October, 2015 05:35 PM

But these are the people that make reddit so much fun!

ChadThundercockII • 1 point • 26 October, 2015 12:54 AM

There are martial artists hear. You know, people who lift and shit. I am a boxer, amateur level. I am sure there are other boxers and MMA fighters. The guy's advice is fine but you can't stop the reptilian brain from going to overdrive and fucking shit up.

fuckin\_retard • 11 points • 25 October, 2015 06:28 AM **[recovered]**

Street fighting is fucking retarded.

I was in a popular bar district the other day, and this athletic black guy and drunk white guy got in a fight. The black guy gave him two pegs to the face and the white guy goes down like a bag of bricks, but apparently that wasn't good enough. The black guy must have punched the dude 10 more times directly to his face. It was fucking *brutal*.

My Mom's friend married an alcoholic named Jim who once drunkenly confessed something about his past: he was a bar fighter. In fact, Jim went to prison for a while because he smashed a broken glass repeatedly into some guy's face - obviously Jim is a horrible guy, but the point is, you never know what kind of psycho moron you're going to encounter. Its not worth ruining your life

satanicpriest13 • 6 points • 25 October, 2015 02:58 PM **[recovered]**

I've seen some unreal fights in a popular party destination over the course of many years. People off their tits on drugs teaming up on one poor guy who spilled someone's drink and offered to buy another.

The fight isn't over. You'll get kicked over and over again. I've heard of geezers getting facial reconstruction surgery and such.

It's not worth it unless you know the enemy, have your boys backing you up, or are truly a good fighter in the right mindset.

sourpuss\_ashkenazi • 2 points • 25 October, 2015 05:54 PM

Unless you're an uneducated idiot in a minimum wage job, you may well have more to lose in any physical fight than your opponent. It's just the wrong move.

Physio\_Tool • 22 points • 25 October, 2015 07:00 AM

For dumb club fights or just irritate people in the day it is best to take the advice that Robert Greene gives in 48 Laws of Power. The moment you acknowledge a problem is when you give it power and allow it to not only exist but grow.

There are a small percentage of dudes at night who get drunk and are trying to prove themselves with anyone they deem a 'threat.' Don't look these people in the eyes in the eyes or talk to them at all. If they say something to you either ignore them and keep dancing with a smile on your face (thus showing your frame is not affected) or act like you can't hear them and move and go tell a bouncer theres a hostile who keeps harassing people (staff does not want these people in there).

People who are aggressive and resort to violence at a moments notice are insecure and lack true power. Their inability to navigate situations with social intelligence and grace makes them have to resort to being physical which, while may make you win favor among people who fear physical confrontation, powerful people and women (who fight strictly in the psychological realm) will see through the veil and detect the weakness that hides within.

Contempt - Another analogy (I believe also in the 48LOP) is that you should act of the likes of a King. If a peasant in the sea of masses yells out degrading profanity to a King, it does not even register in his reality that this remark was made. It is coming from someone from the such a low level of society that The King, if not ignoring the comment with contempt, may actually just laugh of such a silly remark. Be the King and don't let shit from random irate insecure dudes even register in your reality. The more you are able to handle situations with social intelligence, tactfulness and grace, the more power you have.

vengefully\_yours • 3 points • 25 October, 2015 11:12 PM

There are a small percentage of dudes at night who get drunk and are trying to prove themselves with anyone they deem a 'threat.'

Those are the assholes I run into at bars, little guys with liquid courage trying to impress friends and act tough. Standart response is ignore. Not worth the effort and time, plus the probability of paying his medical bills. If he pushes it, talks a swing or something, things change. Nobody who has done that has enjoyed the experience. If he gets in my face, I chuckle and inform him that he really doesn't want to do this. Go ahead act though, impress your friends all you like, but don't go too far because your friends will think you're a bitch when an "old gimpy fat guy" takes you out in seconds.

It takes quite a lot to get me to fight, have had far too much of it already and I have absolutely nothing to prove to anyone, not even myself because I already know exactly what I can do. I've done it countless times already because some twat underestimated me, which is very easy to do.

[deleted] • 1 points • 26 October, 2015 01:15 AM

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vengefully\_yours • 4 points • 26 October, 2015 01:58 AM

Yes, I've had to deal with those morons as well. Just because you're taller than me doesn't mean a fucking thing. So you weigh more than I do, big deal. Even if you're stronger, you'd better be faster and more experienced which isn't something most people are. Damn near every fight I've been in has been with someone bigger, the little guys are mostly talk. Quite a few tall guys are all talk as well,

having never had to defend themselves.

If you're the type who needs to prove how tough you are to everyone by fighting, you really have a low opinion of yourself. Those who have had to defend themselves often already know, they have had their asses kicked enough to realize is not something you want to do on a regular basis. It's the guys who want to feel tough, or watch a movie and think they're Billy Badass, but have no skills, no training, no experience and have had very few fights in their lives that start shit to stroke their own ego. It backfires when they meet someone with the training, skills, and experience and push them too far.

Had one big kid think he could intimidate me because he was around 300lbs and 6'4, but he found out that hitting me while I'm in my car is not a good idea. He wasn't solid, he was a big fat kid and had always been able to intimidate everyone. When I got out of my car, I picked him up, dropped him on the concrete, then hit him three times while he lay on the ground, cracking ribs and knocking him senseless with one to the back of his head. I'm lucky I didn't kill him, someone stopped me before I did. A couple months later he apologized to me and I helped him make his car faster. All his friends found out just how close many of them came to being hurt, since they were all small with zero training, but they sure acted tough at the time.

It's sad that people don't learn the hard way in their youth anymore, it could save a ton of bullshit if they would get a proper beating for being a dumbass in high school.

[deleted] • 1 points • 26 October, 2015 02:13 AM

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vengefully\_yours • 3 points • 26 October, 2015 04:15 AM

I was too pissed to give him everything I had after he hit me. There's far more power available if you come off your back foot, and this was me standing over him, so it was all arm strength with minimal momentum, otherwise I'd probably be in prison, or just getting out about now.

One thing is for sure, he didn't get up very quickly and he kept someone between us until I left one he did get up.

There's a backstory about that one, having to do with my idiot big talking loser brother in law. That dumb ass always started fights, talked shit, and couldn't back it up. They assumed I was like him, and they were very wrong.

UrsusG • 0 points • 25 October, 2015 01:19 PM

This. Underrated comment.

Meanwhile, everyone else in the thread gets hard and a little lubricated at the tip, imagining themselves on the cover of a Manowar album, breaking bones and gouging eyes in their streetfight fantasies.

The average age in this reddit must be declining *sigh*.

moose\_war • 10 points • 25 October, 2015 01:12 AM

Yeah I think a lot of guys who take martial arts classes think they're going to walk into a conflict and Big Boss their way to a win. It doesn't work that way IRL, and even if you win, you could kill someone and be facing a huge lawsuit or manslaughter charges.

Although it's good to know that if you are forced to fight, you have a huge edge. Same principles behind carrying a gun or weapon for self-defense. I never want to have to harm people or put myself in a life threatening situation for no reason. But if some jackass comes at me or wants to stab me, I want to have the appropriate tools



and skills to defend myself. Everyone should, but especially men.

As the wise man Sam Hyde once said in a youtube comment, "If anyone wants to kill me, they're gonna have to work for it". I like that sentiment. That attitude will stop 99% of fights from even happening, and that attitude can only come from a confidence in knowing self-defense.

Meterus • 3 points • 25 October, 2015 04:47 PM

I remember my little brother, after one fight he saw, talking to the winner. The way the winner put it was "I guess the other guy's sensei never told him how to defend against sweater-pulled-up-over-the-head move."

Borsao66 • 2 points • 25 October, 2015 02:08 AM

My retort has always been "You might kick my ass, but you won't get cherry pie for it."

Approspros:

<http://www.rangerup.com/hardtokill.html>

arcaneadam • 4 points • 25 October, 2015 02:48 AM\*

I fucking love that Tim Kennedy quote,

"Train with the motivation and purpose that you will be the hardest person someone ever tries to kill."

Overkillengine • 5 points • 25 October, 2015 06:01 AM

Also, when someone starts a fight with you, it isn't because they were expecting a fair one.

So don't give them one.

BramRhodesDouglas • 2 points • 25 October, 2015 05:09 PM

There is no such thing as a fair fight. Never has been, never will be.

favours\_of\_the\_moon • 4 points • 25 October, 2015 02:16 PM

Putin says, if violence is inevitable, throw the first punch!

LubricatingOil • 6 points • 25 October, 2015 06:27 PM\*

He has a point though. Best defense is straight offensive because the opponent won't have any idea what hit him. The opponent will start raising his voice to get people's attention as well as try to intimidate you so you won't retaliate. That gives you more than enough time to knock him out. Whether you escalate the fight or not is up to you then because you will have dominated a dangerous situation. If the security orders you to leave then hey, at least you will be still in one piece. Health > everything else.

If the fight is escalating somewhere out in the street and it's you against a group then run. Let them call you out and call you names because your frame will be still solid. You will always lose no matter what you are capable of. If you are certain that it's all about self-respect then you will still get hospitalized. Health > everything else.

GayLubeOil • 14 points • 24 October, 2015 11:31 PM

I say we start some shit with Men's Rights to energize our base, gain publicity and maybe pouch followers and get them to lift.

[deleted] • 16 points • 24 October, 2015 11:37 PM

Antagonizing men's rights is just like antagonizing feminists and christians: briefly fun and then depressing



and tedious and ultimately futile.

GayLubeOil • 10 points • 24 October, 2015 11:52 PM

Actually it's not. Every time I throw shit I gain at least 12 followers.

rp\_valiant • 4 points • 24 October, 2015 11:41 PM

Do you have Paul Elam's face taped to your punchbag at the moment? You're really swinging for the dude.

Not that I'm complaining, shit's funny.

GayLubeOil • 4 points • 24 October, 2015 11:55 PM

It is really funny. I think I can get some big reactions out of him and since he has a lot of people watching him I have a lot to gain if he makes the mistake of engaging.

rp\_valiant • 7 points • 25 October, 2015 12:00 AM

I bet he will too. Guy has no frame whatsoever, any slight jab at him and he explodes.

GayLubeOil • 3 points • 25 October, 2015 03:39 AM

Oh boy nothing like farming fee-fees!

Solitary\_Wolf • -4 points • 25 October, 2015 12:49 AM [recovered]

gain publicity

the fewer people that know about TRP, the better.

IVlaskerade • 11 points • 25 October, 2015 03:51 AM [recovered]

GLO isn't marketing TRP, he's marketing *himself*.

satanicpriest13 • 0 points • 25 October, 2015 03:05 PM

He's helped us a lot, written quality articles, and answers questions on a day-lee. Let the man sell some t shirts. It's not like he's leeching of us to get to higher ground.

If someone's helping us and making some money on the side, I'm alright with it.

GayLubeOil • 6 points • 25 October, 2015 03:37 AM

Not for the people who write TRP.

[deleted] • 3 points • 25 October, 2015 12:34 PM

Fights don't come out of nowhere. Fights should always be on your terms, for something that you prize (or to protect something that you prize), not on their terms. Much work has been done on how to manage that, for which I recommend *Left of Bang* which is the work the USMC have been doing, and also Joe Navarro's work on reading body language.

monsieurhire2 • 6 points • 25 October, 2015 01:07 AM

Solid post, but you kind of switch gears from physical confrontations to the struggle to survive and prosper, which need not contain any physical confrontations.

With regard to the former, you have human opponents and you have entered into a situation where it is either win / lose, or lose / lose, meaning even the victor of the fight loses, whether it be social standing, or legal

sanction. Most of these kinds of fights can be avoided. Avoidance is the best strategy because if you fail to avoid a physical confrontation, you either risk losing self-respect, your freedom, your health, or even your life, as in, you are in an unpleasant chessboard situation where you are forced to risk losing a piece.

With regard to the struggle to survive and prosper, your main enemy is probably your self first, then your environment, and then other people. Thus, your fight is mostly a spiritual or psychological one until you can become strong enough to master your environment, and then test your strength against other people. If you cannot master yourself, you will have a tough go of it going up against the world; one manifestation of failure at self-mastery is failure to avoid physical confrontations, which distract you from the goal of self-mastery. Once you have a handle on yourself, you can accumulate various kinds of power, and then you can artfully manipulate people, hopefully in win / win situations where you get what you want by giving value and receiving it in return.

TRPBackpacker • 10 points • 24 October, 2015 11:02 PM [recovered]

As someone well trained in fighting I usually default to not fight. Simply because blood carries a lot of diseases. Fighting is like sex only with the most worthy opponent who manage to throw down the most meaningful insult do you have unprotected wild sex.

If fight needs to happen, it has to be guaranteed to end within 15 minutes as that's the amount of time my body can perform at top condition. i.e. 300 msec kick speed that is below the threshold of human perception.

Then you have to think about whether or not they can sue you and how much firepower is behind their bank account.

Then you get to a point in your life where you understand that letting people have a different opinion of the "image of who you are" means letting them kill off who you are. Then it means that there are certain fine lines that you will not back down from getting in a fight for. But these are not simple fine lines like insulting my intelligence or manhood as simple things don't faze me anymore.

Knowing that you can destroy someone physically and financially changes your attitude and demeanor tremendously and nobody messes with you afterwards.

BannedBandit • 5 points • 25 October, 2015 07:27 AM [recovered]

15 minutes.

So you're basically as/more conditioned than elite MMA fighters.

Good job bro.

TRPBackpacker • 2 points • 26 October, 2015 04:55 AM [recovered]

Nah bro. MMA fighters have to fight top tier fighters. If I have to fight MMA fighters, I can last 3 minutes tops as I have to go 150%. (The last time I tried involved 2 minute of positioning around and 1 minute of actual fight that led to me being KO'd)

I am talking against normal average dudes that has no training. Which is 95% of the population. 15 minutes gives you enough time to fight 3 of them, provided you know how to drag a group into facing you one by one.

itsbooming • 1 point • 26 October, 2015 06:33 AM [recovered]

TRP : home of the street fight that last 5 minutes.

BannedBandit • 1 point • 28 October, 2015 12:16 PM

You're awesome.

If you have any kind of significant grappling training and you can't incapacitate a drunken idiot in thirty seconds then you don't have any kind of significant grappling training.

Good on you for being able to go 15 minutes at 110% in a street fight or whatever.

NaturalAlpha69 • 2 points • 25 October, 2015 02:58 PM

Shame you get jail these days for dishing out a hiding. Can't even rough someone up for touching your girl in a bar.

Borsao66 • 3 points • 26 October, 2015 03:43 AM

In my state, throwing the first punch in a establishment that serves alcohol is a felony and carries a mandatory 8 year first offense sentence.

1) Don't stupid places with stupid people and do stupid things. 2) If its not safe to go there without a gun, its not safe to go there WITH a gun. 3) Nothing good happens after midnight. -LTC Jeff Cooper

Honestly I'd rather be home banging a plate than in a bar fending off ETOH fueled morons.

CowardlyPetrov • 2 points • 26 October, 2015 12:24 AM

Can't even rough someone up for endangering your life never mind for molesting your girlfriend.

NeoreactionSafe • 1 point • 25 October, 2015 02:43 PM\*

Study the book "The Art of War" by some ancient chinese guy.

Wars are best won before needing to fight.

Typically the person who throws the first punch did so after losing some other psychological battle and is trying to redeem himself. He's basically fighting while standing in a hole.

Like Japan attacking Pearl Harbor in WWII...

The United States had cut off oil to Japan and was undermining their efforts in China a few months before. The attack by Japan was "forced" by the United States because Japan was backed into a corner.

Many fights start when the attacker feels he's already lost face and **must** respond.

So the trick is to skillfully win the "battle before the battle".

Win the war so you don't need to fight the war.

Another piece of advice is to avoid imitation.

Many wars start when **both** sides are unconscious of their rivalry. Two guys are very much alike and develop the same desire for the same woman and they then become at war over her. Pretty soon the girl is forgotten and all that remains is the abstraction of the rivalry.

This should be avoided. Women are to serve man and be below man, so when men fight over women it's placing her in a position that is too high. Fighting over women is a loss of status (the very act of doing it) because it signals a woman is **worth more than two men**.

Famous saying I just made up:

**No woman is worth more than two men.**

[deleted] • 1 point • 25 October, 2015 04:05 PM

play stupid games, win stupid prizes

Kiluan • 1 point • 25 October, 2015 02:15 AM

Fight for good prizes. Don't fight for stupid prizes.

Couldn't have put it better myself. The only times I've ever physically harmed someone was when I was being attacked, or when someone attacked or threatened one of my two younger siblings. While both of them are fully capable of handling themselves now that we're all adults (a younger brother and younger sister, and believe it or not my sister turned out to be pretty bad-ass, go figure!), I only needed to show my batshit crazy "I'll fucking come at you ruthlessly with no regard for my own safety until I die" side one time each for all three of us. It's incredibly cathartic as a teenager to do that, you feel so fucking alive and triumphant.

I'm not by any means a big or threatening person, in fact I'm on the short side, but as they say it's not the size of the dog in the fight, it's the size of the fight in the dog. I eventually garnered a reputation, and throughout my later teen years used that to stop fights between people, which was equally rewarding but did not provide the kind of violent catharsis that is so ever satisfying when you have a gallon of testosterone in your system telling you to either fuck something or destroy something 24/7.

Stupid prizes are anything you wouldn't risk your life for, in my opinion; And if you're pushed to the point to engage in a fight because you're willing to die for something (even if you understand death is unlikely), then you will act and fight with a ferocity and intensity you never thought yourself capable of (often referred to as "seeing red" or even "bloodlust").

But beware, as the beast enjoys being out of it's cage.

mtl\_dood • 0 points • 25 October, 2015 05:25 AM

I would say, if a person has never been in a fight, they should try it once. But it's risky, obviously.

I don't fight, except when I do. Was walking with my brother at 3am. He's an army guy. Considerably bigger than me. We were drunk. Minding our own business. A group of young guys pass us and say something dumb. We reply. The situation degrades. Me and my bro say, fuck it, let's give it a shot.

Me and my brother against 5 guys. We got our asses kicked. Really. No broken bones, but a good amount of blood (our blood). We got like 2 good punches in before the beat down. Haha.

But I loved it. Fuck. It was the first time I was in a fight since grade school, 20 years earlier. 20 years of anger.

Would I do it again? One on one, yes. But not 2 on 5, and not when I'm drunk. But still, I recommend everybody to get beaten up at least once. You will learn something about yourself.

Borsao66 • 0 points • 26 October, 2015 03:46 AM

Ain't it grand?

This is my on hesitation on relying on grappling (MMA, BJJ, TJJ, Judo, Wrestling, etc). And yes, I wrestled in HS and JJ was a big part of my Kajukenbo curriculum.

In other countries (Latin and South America especially) man-to-man is common, everyone will stand back and let you and the other dude fight it out. Here, you're just as likely to be kicked to death by all the guys buds.

Remember, fighting is what you do with someone, combative are what you do TO someone.

BannedBandit • 0 points • 25 October, 2015 07:26 AM

If you aren't doing jiu-jitsu and boxing, you fucked up a long time ago.

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I saw down my facebook feed today someone local got punched for merely looking at a guy. I seem to be lucky in avoiding trouble in these parts of town. But I guess being a certified manlet has made me good at that. I don't even care about my height since it's about average where I am, but I have small, thin, womanly arms and wrists.

I see people smaller than me that have chunky arms and get jealous