Consider how to write about street violence and the rhetorical strategies [Geoffrey Canada uses](https://www.dropbox.com/s/0g5cj1ku6gtst39/canada%20fist.pdf?dl=0) to discuss a very controversial and serious issue.

<https://youtu.be/vY2l2xfDBcE>

I think the author is using narrative to explain about street violence. He used his own experiences. He explained the process of his decision about getting a gun.

Street violence has been a major problem in New York City for many years. And one important factor is how easily anyone can get or buy a gun. People buy guns to feel safe or to protect their families or friends. The problem is not about possessing a gun, it is the need to use it. Geoffrey Canada uses his own experiences about how a gun could change your personality and judgment. It is about how close anyone is to kill each other nowadays. In this case, the author explained his encounters with gangs in comparison to other safer places which a gun is useless.

Another issue is how people respond to assault and harassment from others. Most people might take those situations calmly without doing anything that they would regret later. Nevertheless, no everyone act the same way. Some people lived these encounters with fear or they just feel humiliated after the incident. Consequently, they acquire a gun with intentions to kill the person or group who harassed them before. The author explained that he was ready to kill someone in self-defense. And how some people are influenced by the power of a gun thinking they could do anything.