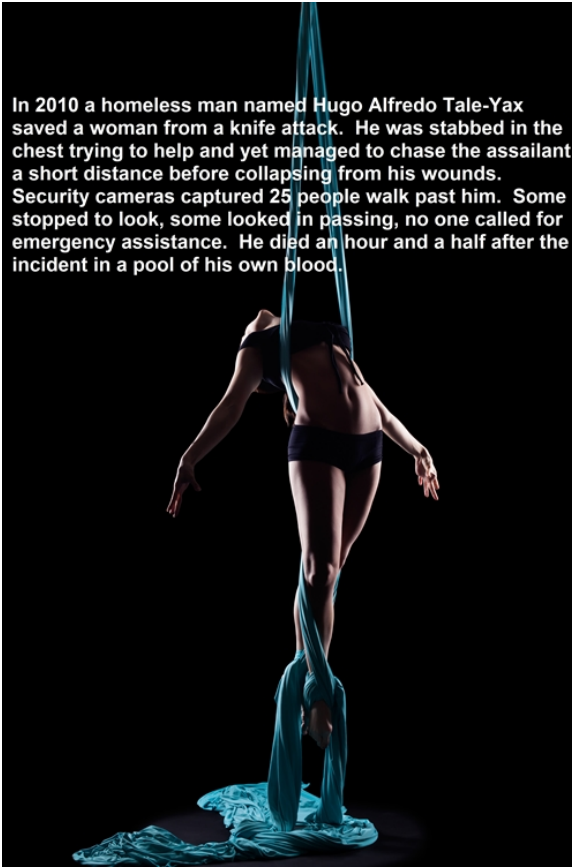


Empathy

Rule 7

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How would you have reacted?

Do the majority of people need to be taught to empathize?

See the article by the NY Post at: <http://nypost.com/2010/04/24/stabbed-hero-dies-as-more-than-20-people-stroll-past-him/>

And further reading about the bystander effect see http://www.washingtonpost.com/opinions/the-bystander-effect-why-those-who-heard-the-lululemon-murder-didnt-help/2011/11/03/gIQAHIWYmM_story.html

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