

Read about the events in a high school and answer the questions that follow.

On the first day of school, all the students signed a classroom contract promising to respect one another and resolve conflicts without fighting. If fighting occurs, the contract stated that the principal would call the family for a conference and there would be further consequences.

Greg is a 10th grader who is still mad about last year because he felt like he was always blamed for starting problems and, as a result, he wasn't allowed to attend any of the school field trips or go to school dances. Greg didn't want to sign the contract, but he did anyway.

In the second month of school, Greg got into a fight with Jeremiah, Jacob and Craig. Jeremiah, Jacob and Craig ended up with bloody noses. After the fight, the principal did not call Greg's parents and there were no additional consequences.

Two weeks later, Greg got into a fight with Calvin, and Greg broke Calvin's arm. Again, after the fight, the principal did not call Greg's parents and there were no additional consequences.

Only a week later, Greg got into a fight with Justin and Michael in the lunchroom leading to a large brawl involving half the school. After the lunchroom brawl, the principal threatened to call home and Greg laughed in her face.

Two days later, Greg started a fight in front of the school and a window was broken that cost the school thousands of dollars to replace.

1. Why do you think Greg did not want to sign the classroom contract?
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
2. What did the principal do after Greg's first two fights? Do you think the principal made the right decision?
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
3. Why do you think Greg's behavior escalated or got worse?
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
4. What do you think is Greg's view of the principal? Why?