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Brent was just a normal teenager when depression kicked in. One night after drinking at a party, he tried to kill himself by wrecking his car. Sadly, he ended up killing an innocent teenage in the crash. Her mother did not send him to jail; instead, he was sent on a journey to build whirligigs in the four corners of the country. While on the trip, he met many people who helped him on his way.

Some of the negative actions he did were when he hitchhiked even though his parents said not to and when he stayed at a motel for people who come from other countries. I will talk about hitchhiking. His parents both begged him to not hitchhike for his safety. Sadly, he needed a ride and could not find another one, so he got a ride from a stranger.

A few of the positive consequences were going and asking to share a camp space and letting some kids watch him make a whirligig. By letting the kids watch him, he taught them good lesson. They were also able to see the beauty of the whirligigs. When a biker shared his camp space, he not only made a new friend, he had a safe place to spend the night.

Brent's decisions at the end were okay. Some were good and some weren't. A good action was to not drink and drive again. It was very smart of him to do it. It is a good lesson for the readers. I know if I ever drank and drove after, I would be very mad at myself.

What I learned from his actions and consequences were not to drink and drive. Also never let depression overpower your brain. If depression begins tell a sibling or parent. Don't worry. They will help you. I know when I got depression I was scared and felt alone. Don't let yourself get that far into depression.