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Thread: [Seen a kid drown today](#)

Renthal - June 20, 2016, 3:07 am

I just bought a new dirtbike to ride with my friends at my moms, so today we're out riding and we happen to be over by a bridge with train tracks and a kid was walking with friends and he had slipped on the open bridge and fell into the Erie Canal and was drowning & unresponsive. His name was Abdul. A buddy of mine and I had to give EMT a ride on our bikes.

Tomorrow I might take a trip down and take some pictures of the scene.

Sources:

http://www.wktv.com/news/Drowning_victim_rescued_from_the_Erie_Canal.html

<https://www.facebook.com/yndnews/videos/1743810372556447/?pnref=story>

u wot m8 - June 20, 2016, 3:09 am

Oh man that sucks.

I feel for the parents still, they'll blame themselves

W?lf - June 20, 2016, 3:10 am

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Renthal - June 20, 2016, 12:08 pm

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Fatboy Slim - June 20, 2016, 12:11 pm

who doesnt know how to swim like wtf

'Ben - June 20, 2016, 12:11 pm

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Anarchist07 - June 20, 2016, 12:12 pm

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?Slits - June 20, 2016, 12:17 pm

Why are you guys hating on the kid at least he did something he could have not gave him a ride or anything like yea we might have done more but we didn't so why are you guys giving him hate for doing what he can

proProgrammer - June 20, 2016, 12:18 pm

smart decision not to help since you couldnt swim. thats the recommended thing to do. Sad story, but good decision.

Anarchist07 - June 20, 2016, 12:24 pm

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Chrised - June 20, 2016, 12:27 pm

That's sad. Sorry to hear about that. Hope you don't get ptsd

Renthal - June 20, 2016, 1:12 pm

(Jun 20, 2016 12:11 PM)Ben??? Wrote: [\[CITE\]](#) Fear of water or never been taught?

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I grew up on a lake & I also have a pool but I've been trying to learn since I was a little kid. I can barely stay above the water. My buddy tried to save him but couldn't get to him.

CHEST BRUH - June 20, 2016, 1:36 pm

if you knew how to swim OP you would of been able to save the kids life :(but good you called for help!!

W?If - June 20, 2016, 1:40 pm

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He was unresponsive. The current condition of the kid hasn't been released

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pcanningg - June 20, 2016, 2:35 pm

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Prepper - June 20, 2016, 2:38 pm

I used to lived in the village of fairport the Erie canal looks so harmless but then it become dangerous there is an under current which can pull a person under. I know this I used to go under the old bridge which is the higher bridge that doesn't get used as a lift bridge anymore to my knowledge.

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Swimming in water with sometimes high current and under current is much different then swimming in a pool.

Also the Erie Canal is littered with a bunch of objects such as bikes, scooters, etc which can tangle a person up as well they clean the canal like every year in the more shallow parts.

Talu - June 20, 2016, 2:54 pm

Damn, that's sad to hear. Hope the kid's alright now (you said he was unresponsive at the time).

lucky. - June 20, 2016, 3:18 pm

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This is true. Was always taught as a kid keep calm if trying to save someone drowning because of them panicing lol

b?xxy - June 20, 2016, 4:07 pm

Don't you mean "Saw" a kid drown today?

Ph?us - June 20, 2016, 10:22 pm

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I just said if he believes he will drown too then it's fine not to jump, but if he can stay in the water a little until help comes he would have saved someone's life. He doesn't need to be a professional swimmer or even know how to swim to float in the water a little while holding a child.

Gerald Gillum - June 20, 2016, 10:25 pm

Damn dude, that would probably traumatize me forever, always wondering if I could of saved him.

Memes - June 20, 2016, 10:31 pm

Oh wow if I saw something like this I would be scarred for awhile.. Rest in peace.

Zoom? - June 20, 2016, 10:34 pm

(Jun 20, 2016 02:35 PM)pcanningg Wrote: [\[CITE\]](#) How the fuck can you call someone a moron if they cant swim? And swimming is not 'easy af' if you have never had a lesson in learning it. swimming is pretty easy...

[Rn] 7s^2 - June 21, 2016, 12:13 am

There was no one else there who knew how to swim? :(

Silence - June 21, 2016, 1:06 am

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Wtf.. So you are telling him to go jump in and take the risk to die aswell? How the hell is he supposed to help a kid drowning if he cant swim aswell. And also, basic swimming techniques is not enough to rescue someone out the water even if you know how to swim you cant just pull someone with you like you're standing on the ground.

Fox News - June 21, 2016, 1:08 am

The kid didn't drown. The news page said it under the sources.

TwistedTechnologies - June 21, 2016, 1:19 am

Why are people giving OP so much shit about not being able to swim? They're acting like it's his fault the kid fell in, probably making him feel so shitty.

springie - June 21, 2016, 1:35 am

This fucking blows dude. How can you not be traumatized from witnessing this?

xxxhuazeleixxx - June 21, 2016, 3:02 am

You should call someone for help if you can't swim

Coon and Friends - June 21, 2016, 6:02 am

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The person who posted the thread can't even swim, and you don't know how big the kid was or how big OP is.

I was taught this all throughout my swimming lessons, and it makes sense. When you're drowning your fight or flight response kicks in, if you can grab on anything you'll use it to save your own life.

Sorry to hear what happened, but I wouldn't have acted differently in OP's position.

Edit: OP said "I'm 16 5'7 115lbs. The kid was 14 and a bit bigger than me. "

I'm 155lbs and I would have left it, takes a lot of strength to hold onto two people in water. Not something I'd fuck with, especially if I wouldn't swim, takes less than two minutes to drown and quicker when you've got someone trying to keep you under.

Welcid - June 21, 2016, 6:24 am

That is seriously fucked up. Sorry you had to go through it. And I hope that kid pulls through.

Ps. Why cant niggas swim?

Mr. Corleone - June 21, 2016, 6:28 am

Now we know where you live, thanks.

Just kidding. Ignore the people that say that you should've saved that boy.

If you can't swim, and see a kid drowning, a million things will go through your mind.

You don't see people drowning everyday.

Uriii - June 21, 2016, 6:30 am

I hope the kid is ok, hopefully you can also learn to swim. I mean that in a kind way by the way. Thank you for sharing this story with us.

LastSession VII - June 21, 2016, 6:50 am

This isn't a kid, the guy who drown was 14 years old wich means he's a teen and HE IS SUPOSED TO KNOW HOW TO SWIM HIMSELF.