Michael Lovett – WorkSafeBC

Post-Presentation Reflection

We’ve just had the opportunity to hear Michael Lovett share his personal tragedy with us. The goal of his presentation is to educate youth on the importance of being aware of your rights as a young employee. On a separate sheet of paper, or typed, please answer the following questions.

1. In your own words, what were the main messages from Michael’s presentation and from the video *Lost Youth*?
2. In your opinion, whose responsibility (and to what extent) is it to keep employees safe? The employer? The employee? WorkSafeBC?
3. Identify at least three things young employees can do to prevent being injured at work.
4. What was your biggest take away from Michael’s presentation? Did anything shock, disturb or surprise you?
5. Imagine you just landed your first job at a deli in a supermarket. You are very excited to finally be in the workforce. Your first day on the job, your boss shows you around, explains a bit about how the meat slicer works and then asks you to clean the machine. You have no experience using this machine but you want to impress your boss by showing you have a strong work ethic and are willing to do whatever is asked of you. How would you handle this situation?
6. Michael didn’t leave any time for questions, now that you’ve had time to process and reflect on the presentation, what questions do you have for him?