At least something other then nothing.

Child soldiers. Why do they put the word “child” in front of soldiers? Because those types of soldiers are abducted young children who are forced to be in conflict. There are over 25,000 children who are taking away from their families and forced to be in war (Invisible Children, Kony2012 documentary). We **NEED** to raise awareness to show the world that this issue is real, that we can all pitch in to **make a difference**.   
  
 A Child soldier always has a start, how they are joined which is abduction. Some children are abducted in their sleep, at home, or even at school, etc. People abduct children no matter what gender; children are like “things” to them. An example is Michel Chikwanie; he was 5 years old when he was abducted along with his best friend Kevin by a rebel army behind his school in a soccer field. They drove them deep into the jungle, when they arrived to their destination Michel’s wrist was cut and a mixture of cocaine and gun power was rubbed into it. Also he was blindfolded and handed an AK 47 and to shoot at a random target, his best friend Kevin (The Power to Speak, Craig and Marc Kielburger). Well hearing about Michel you now have some information about a real abducted child.   
  
 Here at my school, we like to help out. One of the things we did was “The Vow of Silence”. Basically what the Vow of Silence is, is a promise to be silent for the children who are deprived of their rights. Michel challenged each of us to take the Vow of Silence through his silent presentation on We Day. But absolute success we had made, in the article “Power of Silence” 17 year old Samantha Honig had pledged to not talk, text, tweet, or Facebook for 24 hours. Her silence is going to carry on a power message (The Power to Speak, Craig and Marc Kielburger). We all took the challenge in November 2011. And that’s what the Vow of Silence is. This will make a difference, to send a powerful message to all.

So this month I’ve been hearing about a rebel group in Central Africa called the LRA (Lord’s Resistance Army).Joseph Kony is the leader of that rebel army, he is America’s most wanted criminal. He abducted over 30,000 children, turning the girls into sex slaves and the boys into child soldiers. The organization Invisible Children made a documentary on Joseph Kony and it’s been spreading worldwide very fast. Worldwide people are getting to know Joseph Kony, and what’s he’s been doing for over 26 years. However he still remains in large because he is invisible (Invisible Children, Kony2012 documentary). Joseph Kony is an example of the large issue of the enslavement of children in conflict areas. And that’s why **WE** need to make him famous. Lend a hand and spread the word.

We need to raise awareness to show the world that this issue is real, that we can all pitch in to make a difference. So now knowing about some information about real child soldiers and the abduction of children including Michel Chickwanie you now **NEED** to help make a difference!  By starting off with finding some organizations that support the help of child soldiers etc, like for example “Free The Children” also by participating in the “Vow of Silence” like 17 year old Samantha Honig, No texting, speaking, facebooking, tweeting, etc for 24 hours. Help make Joseph Kony famous, it’s a start, help, Lend a hand. **If, you want to change the world, Like I do.**