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Thanks so much for writing back to me. SO NOW I have a essay on file. SO Today I'd like to talk about loneliness and BEING stuck in the hole for long periods of time. it's really DAMAGING to the MIND. Growing up I was always lonely EVEN when I was around family and friends³⁹ I still felt alone why I don't know or I didn't know BACK then Now I'm stuck in prison I have 10 years I just did 5. And out of that 5 years I've spent 3 and a half years in the Hole. I have 18 months until I get out but I have to do Good. MY EXPERIENCE of BEING in the hole is ~~so~~^{Real} lonely, sad, long DEPRESSED DAYZ. But I've found ways to stimulate my¹⁷ Brain and NOT just Reading, writing, talk and Getting in to the word of GOD there's so much more I've come to¹³⁹ learn I NO longer just Read to Pass by time. I Read and I take in every little thing and learn from someone else's experience, I also write down all the word in a book I do not know how to spell. Also Good lines and quotes, I CAN use in life. I also write poems¹⁹⁵ RAPs and I just started drawing Although I'm not GOOD yet. But that's NOT all I also MAKE UP GAMES and PUZZLES I hate Math SO MUCH but NOW I come up with Math ~~problems~~^{x+-=} PROBLEM And the REASON loneliness and solitary Blend together for ME is BECAUSE when I was outside I thought I was lonely But when you do 3 1/2 years in the Hole and counting, Then that's when you know Real loneliness. But By the Grace of GOD I NEVER lost my mind. At least 17 hours out of the day I stay busy. I stay so busy I NO longer think about loneliness. Just Remember your mind CAN be your Best friend. (like for me) or your WORSE ENEMIE ~~is~~ SINCERELY
x William Chaves