

So I don't remember everything because I was very scared at the moment but here is what I can tell you.

So at my previous schools the teacher would tell us at the start of class that at some point there will be a lockdown drill or whatever drill it might be, but at the start of class that day my teacher didn't tell us that there was going to be a lockdown drill. So when we were just reading the book that we have been reading, all of a sudden the radio was saying, "Lockdown Lockdown." So our teacher was yelling to shut the blinds and hide, and since she was so freaked out obviously we were freaking out too. She was trying to shut off the speaker that was reading to us and turn off the projector and she was running around the room trying to do everything she was meant to do in a lockdown. There were people diving under desks and people starting to cry and it was pure chaos. The teacher told some of us (including me) to hide under and around her desk that was in the corner of the room because we didn't notice that our hiding spots weren't very good. So while we were hiding the radio was still saying "Lockdown lockdown" and our teacher was still running around the room trying to get everything done and make sure everyone was ok. It went on for a long time and we were all really scared. Two people were crying because they thought it was real and I almost cried because I was scared that someone was going to break into the room and shoot me. Luckily, our teacher was texting other teachers to see what was going on and if it was a drill or not and she found out that it was just a drill. She told us and we were all relieved and less scared. Once the drill was over our teacher explained what would happen if it was real and what she

could use to protect us and where to hide. Some kids on the bus said that the dean of students unlocked our door and came into the room and just left. They also said that someone shook the door handle so they knew that it was fake but I didn't hear it and the people hiding with me behind our teachers desk didn't hear it so we were still freaked out. This is all that I remember but I do know that I was really scared and think that it is a really stupid system because schools shouldn't be traumatizing students. I thought that an actual person had broken into the school or an active shooter which is not ok because I am pretty sure that almost everyone in the class thought it was real too. I think that they should tell the parents and the teachers so that no one starts to CRY during DRILLS.

Thank you for listening to what I had to say.