IN MY HEAD

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FADE IN :

INT. CLASSROOM - DAY

KAI (20s) takes a sip of water at the water fountain. He walks into class and sits at a desk. He sets his backpack on the floor. He surveys the empty classroom.

Kai pulls out his phone, goes to his messages and types the name JAX. He types out the message: "Miss you a lot today". Instead of sending it, he deletes the message and puts the phone down.

Kai pulls his laptop out of his backpack and opens it. He goes to continue with his math homework. All of a sudden, the lights cut out and the only light source comes from the laptop, illuminating his face.

Confused, Kai uses his phone's flashlight to walk over and turn the light on, but the switch does not work. He points the light at the doorknob and rattles it, it does not open.

He starts to go into a panic attack, breathing fast. He backs into a corner of the classroom and sits, staring ahead in shock.

KAI (V.O)

What did I do? What did I do? I never meant to hurt you. It was a stupid joke. It was an accident.

He starts to do an anxiety breathing technique.

KAI (V.O)

One...two...three.

He takes a long breath and continues to count.

KAI (V.O)

One...two...three...One...two...three...One...

He takes another deep breath and his heartbeat slows.

The sound of the classroom door rattling interrupts him. A faint gunshot is heard in the background. His heartbeat starts to rise again.

KAI (V.O)

This isn't real. This isn't real. You did this. You did this to yourself.

He hears footsteps approaching the door. He goes over to his backpack to grab a lighter and he lights it, staring intently.

KAI (V.O)

Make it stop!

He holds the lighter up to his face and closes his eyes.

KAI (V.O)

JAX, just let me hold it.

JAX (V.O)

Yo, Kai chill!

KAI (V.O)

Calm down.

All of a sudden, a single GUNSHOT goes off.

Just then, the lights in the classroom turn on. Kai looks up and half smiles out of relief. He walks over to his backpack and pulls out a flier for a support group entitled: "How to Deal with Survivors Guilt". As he gets up to walk out of the classroom, the camera PANS away from Kai to a poster hanging by the door. That piece of paper reads: "In Memoriam of our lovely Jax Monroe.