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Brain Tumor Article

 In the sort article, “Brain tumor: multi form”, says that anyone can get the brain cancer, Gleoblastoma. Men and women often get it after the age of 50: children between the ages of 9 and 10. Gleoblastoma stays strictly in the brain unlike other brain cancers which start from other parts of the body. Some symptoms are memory loss, behavior changes, headaches, and fatigue. The common treatment is surgery (depends on how severe, and the patient), radiation, and chemotherapy. The survival rates vary, but with 90% of the tumor removed survival is 14-15 months. As Rothman says,’’ It is a 30%increace over previous survival rates.”

 This text is specifically an informational text. I feel this has a more moderate tone and more as if a doctor was speaking; it describes in detail what Gleoblastoma is and what are the effects, symptoms, and the survival rates are.

 What does the text mean? This text is telling me about Gleoblastoma, the brain cancer. The purpose to this article is to give the public and wondering participants’ further knowledge about this type of cancer. Since cancer is much more common now, and more friends and family come across cancer, this is just a brief summary about the information and sympt6oms to look out for, for this specific disease.

 Personally I chose this text because I found it quite interesting rather than an article I really couldn’t care less about. My father had Gleoblastoma and I really never looked into it while he was sick so I took the time now to further my knowledge with this. My father, age 50, recently passed away on November 30, 2011, from stage 4 Gleoblastoma and looking back at his health and reading this article now I found that every my dad went through it makes more sense on why the doctors took the procedures they did. My dad had most of the symptoms that they described in the article. Un- fortunately, my dad could not have his tumor operated on, so all he could do was use the chemo and radiation treatment and pray that it would help. With only doing chemo and radiation my dad lasted 14 months from diagnosis. As the article said on average a person would last 14-15 months with 90+% of the tumor removed. With this said, I think my dad was a fighter, and he did not give up I’m glad to read more on this topic it was very beneficial to know what this type of cancer has caused my father.