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Comments: Bolts are an essential part of climbing, especially for beginners. My first climbing experience outdoors was on a non-bolted route, which meant that we had to put our gear in as we went up. My friend and I weren't as experienced and when he fell, his misplaced gear tore out of the wall, luckily a backup piece caught him.

From then on we have only climbed bolted routes, which are incredibly safe and create less of a hassle while climbing. Without them, we would have had many experiences like the first, and perhaps not be around today to tell the story.