

A simpler answer

A Monday letter writer suggests the FBI look for certain background issues of recent killers to get to the cause of tragic mass shootings. (8A)

He implies that mental illness is the main factor, but that would suggest that no other country has troubled citizens and even that American women are immune.

Although his suggested questions are valid and undoubtedly routine, it's not hard to find one obvious commonality in these tragedies: Each mass killer had access to a powerful gun.

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