[](http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Murder_of_Victoria_Climbié)Victoria Climbie was born in November 1991 in the Ivory Coast. 

She died in February 2000 in London aged eight. To escape the poverty of Africa , her parents entrusted her to her great aunt who brought her to Europe.

Victoria was tortured to death by that great-aunt, Marie Therese Kouao, and the woman's boyfriend Carl Manning.

But Victoria need not have died.

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Police, doctors, social workers all had contact with her while she was being abused.

Victoria's parents attended almost every day of the public inquiry into why the child protection system failed so miserably.

At times the details of Victoria's 128 injuries were too much for her mother Berthe to bear.

**How might things have been different if community spirit had been different?**

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| STOP | If the community had stopped they would have paused to address what was happening with Victoria. |
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