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# RUBICON - OPINION PIECES

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Who's Deprived Now? by India Knight

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# LANGUAGE OF PERSUASION

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- Why do you think India Knight places the words 'yob', 'alienate' and 'youths' in inverted commas in the opening sentence?
  - What is the effect of Knight telling us so many details about the stabbing victim?
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- In the third paragraph, how does India Knight persuade us that Stevens was an innocent victim?
  - How does she appeal to our emotions in the same paragraph?
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- In the sixth paragraph, what words does Knight use to show us her opinion of the criminal gangs of young people and the effect they have had on the neighbourhood?
  - Knight uses sarcasm to good effect in this paragraph. This reinforces our opinion that the other journalist's view of the area is ridiculous.
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- Knight uses emotive language in the eighth paragraph. Can you find examples of this and comment on their effect on the reader?
  - How is this article structured? Does India Knight offer a solution to the problem?
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