

Juvenile Criminal

From guiltless to culpable and reform

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CHILDREN ON THE PATH OF COMMITTING CRIMES AND REVERTING BACK**ABSTRACT**

“Children have never been very good at listening to their elders, but they have never failed to imitate them”

- James Baldwin

Children are true face of god. They are clean and pure from all the dark side prevailing in the world. By word ‘child’, we usually guess a figure very smiley, cute, adorable and playing boy or girl who looks same as they are. Every mistake made by them gets forgiven on their apologizing face. But certain mistakes are such that can hardly be forgotten.

I would not say now, nor can I give you the exact time period but I would say that by time to time there has been some (or more) incidents that has proven that you can’t always trust a child to be a child with face of god. Zachery James Proper in Pennsylvania allegedly shot dead his grandparents and apologized later, was only a 13 year old boy.¹

It has been said that, why a person commits crime, anger, jealousy, revenge, money. But these are for the adults. The behavior of the criminal can be easily understood and thus his/her crime can be justified on those bases but what about a child? A child considering age of 11 to 16, they commit crime with absurd reasons on their face. So sometimes it becomes necessary to look on their back, in their mind, what they are hiding.

¹ <http://explorevenango.com/zachary-james-proper/>

I am not talking of psychopaths. Though we will give them some place in our notes but moreover our focus is those children who commit crime and go on a path of becoming serial killer but still have chances of returning back. We will take some examples and check why and how slowly they go on their journey and can be helped to find their way back.

INTRODUCTION

“Criminal”, as a word gives us impression of a ruffian, reckless behavior and cruel looking person. This is a reason that when police comes to victim’s parents and tell them that killer is found and is 11 year old girl or boy, then they hardly believe it. These children committing juvenile crimes of heinous nature are like those normal kids only. When they get caught by police, they are waving goodbye to their parents, apologizing to mom, usually crying or without features.

What makes them criminal then? It is a big question. Children have two characteristics, firstly they are physically weak and secondly they are of very vulnerable and open mind. They accept all the things coming from their environment. Society in this relation might provide with abuse and stress. At a point of time when such abuse or stress go to an immense level then it becomes intolerable. However, children neither can tolerate it nor capable of protesting it.

This is the time when they hide their emotions and gradually divorce themselves from feelings and emotions. If they are not able to do it then they anger over something or someone which can’t hurt them back. If they are with depraved feelings then they are likely to convert into sociopaths.

ENVIRONMENT AROUND A CHILD

Children usually get the abuse or stress from their school or surroundings and sometimes it may be parents as well. However parents are often criticized for crime of any child and the reason is that parents are very near to any child and thus if there are changes in child then they are likely to get it.

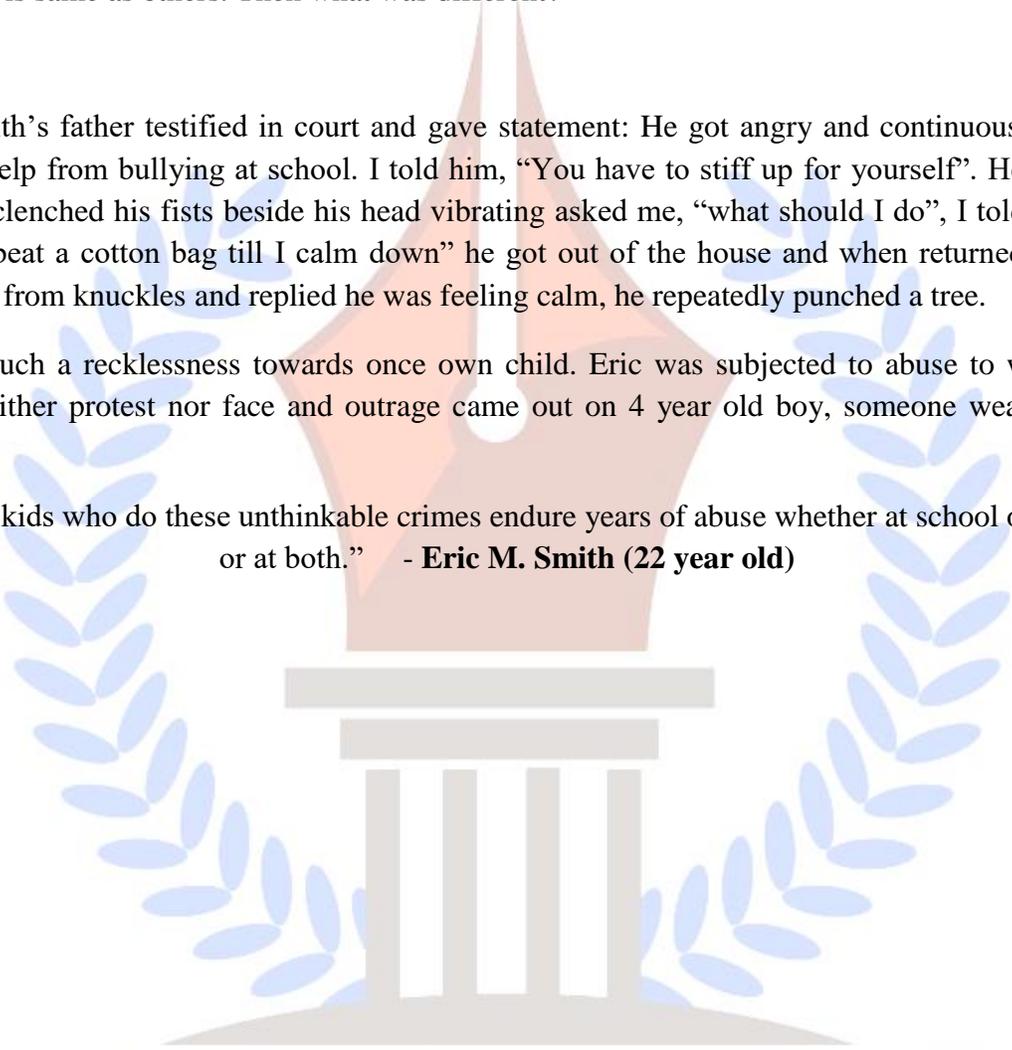
Let us refer to the case of 13 year old **Eric M. Smith** (Savona, Newyork, USA). On 2nd August, 1993 Eric killed 4 year old boy Derrick Robie by strangulation and dropped pair of larger stones on his head and private parts then filled all those wounds with bottle syrup water, smashed banana from Derrick's bag and took one stick and sodomized body.²

Now behavior of this child feels like a mental illness but if you see him in his childhood video tapes, he is same as others. Then what was different?

Eric Smith's father testified in court and gave statement: He got angry and continuously asked for the help from bullying at school. I told him, "You have to stiff up for yourself". He used to cry and clenched his fists beside his head vibrating asked me, "what should I do", I told him, "I used to beat a cotton bag till I calm down" he got out of the house and when returned he was bleeding from knuckles and replied he was feeling calm, he repeatedly punched a tree.

Such a recklessness towards once own child. Eric was subjected to abuse to which he could neither protest nor face and outrage came out on 4 year old boy, someone weaker than him.

"Those kids who do these unthinkable crimes endure years of abuse whether at school or home or at both." - **Eric M. Smith (22 year old)**



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² [https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Eric_Smith_\(murderer\)](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Eric_Smith_(murderer))

JUVENILE KILLERS

Alan Simpson, Chair on the national commission on fiscal responsibility and reform, has been a US senate member, but when was a child he had been on a federal probation for open firing and killing a cow and punching a cop. He with his friends also set on fire a war structure (Crime now punishable with 20 years of imprisonment.)³

Simpson stated that, “when you are of 16 or 18 years of age. You are a different person, you don’t care. You think that you are eternal. The older you get the more you realize.”⁴

Simpson says that a child or teenager does a crime because of some temporary relaxation or fun but they are hardly known to the consequences. So if a child is strangling other he is hardly known that the other child might never wake up after that.

Common characteristics of such children can be:

- They are mostly introvert; extroverts are not tending to be criminals.
- They usually starts by killing animals or hurting themselves
- Do in a rare methods
- Having social or family problems
- Once crime committed they are not a good hider
- Some have low self esteem

These are the common characteristics. Usually children tell their friends about their crime as they want to show they are powerful. In recent child murder case of Pradhyuman, CBI came to know of a killer (boy in 11th standard) as he boasted of his deeds in front of his friends.

^{3 & 4} [https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Alan_Simpson_\(American_politician\)](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Alan_Simpson_(American_politician))

HOW THEY GRADUALLY GETS DRAWN TOWARDS DOING CRIME

We cannot say that there is a specific pattern as sometimes they may jump certain steps of the chain. Still, we can establish from study of number of cases the stages through which they pass before being an offender. Here we are studying stages first so that later as we study each case of juvenile crime, we can see on which stage person was at a particular time.

1. ACQUITTANCE TO ABUSE/ OFFENSIVITY
2. EFFECT/ IMPRESSION ON MIND
3. INTOLERANCY (Trigger 1)

3(A) MOMENT OF EXAGGERATION
(Commits crime on this stage only)

4. LOW SELF ESTEEM (suicidal stage.)
5. ANGER (Trigger 2)

5(A) HURT THEMSELVES

HURT ANIMALS/ KILL ANIMALS

HURT WEAKER THEN THEM (USUALLY CHILDREN)

IMPROVE AS THEY REPEATEDLY COMMIT CRIME

STARTS LEAVING THEIR MARK IN WAY OF METHOD OR SIGN (SERIAL KILLERS)

5(B) DEPRAVED FEELINGS

DON'T GET EMOTIONS

DON'T CONSIDER OTHER'S EMOTIONS

5(B 1) LESS DANGEROUS AND MORALLY DEPRIVED (SOCIOPATHS)

5(B 2) GLORIFY OR RATIONALIZE HENIOUS CRIMES

STARTS GETTING FUN IN CRUELTY (PSYCHOPATHS)

Now once we have stages in front of us we can take certain examples of how children get swayed each time from one stage to another by real life examples and where they got their motivation and where they could have been stopped.

(Case history or details/facts of the cases described hereafter have been taken from the individual documentary of each personal. At present some have changed identities and others are in jail or dead.)

1. MARY BELL (1957)

She was only child of Betty Mccricket - a well known prostitute in town. She was a jolly girl but usually an introvert. She was at a very young age introduced to the world of her mother. Mary at very young age began to see her mother performing sexual acts and sometimes even the violent sex including beating etc. [stage 1]

However still she preferred going to her aunt's house sometimes. Later her mother started beating her and also certain times on the demand of clients she involved her in sexual acts as well. At age of around 10-11 years only she was involved and thus became a subject to sexual abuse against her own will. [Stage 3]

Then marry became friend with 13 year old girl Norma. Having no friend in school or surrounding Mary started spending her most time with Norma. However Norma was having ill effect on her as she was no good in herself.

At age of 11 year old Mary took one of the boy, 4 year old Martin Brown, in one construction side and talked him to lay down to play but choked him to death. The boy died. His body was found by one worker. [Stage 5A]

Police when failed to find killers she wrote a note at home in her diary, "I KILL BECAUSE I COME BACK."

Now was the time when Mary Bell had confidence in committing crime so this time when she targeted 4 year old Brian Howe, she choked him to death But did not just stop there and run away rather this time she improved [Stage 5A] and craved "M" on the stomach of the dead body also took scissors from her this time's companion Norma and tried to cut the penis of the boy.[Stage 5A or 5B2]

This time she added a method, a sign to get remembered. However when detectives saw same girl at the grave of Brian Howe, smiling they interrogate Mary and consequently Norma. They found out about them.

When asked for the **REASON** to Mary, she said:

“I like to hurt things weaker to me.”

After considering the fact that she was subjected to sexual abuse and she was involved into violent sexual act and in light of above statement we can now understand her behavior of trying to cut penis of second boy.

When she was brought to court, many people had only one statement, **her mother should be charged in her place**, However when proceeding went on and her name came she danced with joy and thus court declared her as a psychopath or mentally ill. She then was given 12 year of rehabilitation and after which in 1980 at age of 23 year she was released from prison. Today she is a grandmother and of 55 years of age.

- Reason for her getting dragged into crime can be taken as the environment and her mother.

2. BRENDA SPENCER (1962-63)

A girl on whose act a song became famous, lyrics of the song were same as her statement she gave for the reason of her act: “I don’t like Mondays.”

Brenda at the age of 16 year on morning of Jan 29, 1979 undoubtedly on Monday when her school opened, she from her house (around 150 yards from school) window fired at school with 10/22 semi-automatic 22 caliber rifle with accuracy of 40% killing her school principal Burton Wragg and Mike Suchar a custodian and injuring 9 including a police officer on the place of event. [Stage 3A]

In California, America when this incident took place even SWAT team was called with no knowledge of offender being merely a 16 year old girl.

This we have talked about the incident and absurd reason given was “I don’t like Mondays.” What a true reason was?

She was introvert. Her mother says, “Good child, well behaved, she is not a monster.” Brenda’s parents divorced and father got custody of her. Father used to drink and he got married to a 17 year old girl looking similar to Brenda and after she gave birth to a child again divorced. [Stage 2]

Father gifted Brenda the 22 caliber gun on her birthday with 500 rounds of ammunitions. On her parole day (41 year of age) Brenda stated that she was abused sexually by her father in a way she can state it nearly raped. [Stage 3] She apologized for her conduct and also stated that once she comes out of jail she will drive forklift.

She shot two people dead and injured 9. [Stage 3A] Wife of the principal (victim) says, "Yes, I think she should be given capital punishment."

However parole denied for next 4 years and she is still in jail as of now in Chino, California.

- Reason for her getting dragged into crime can be taken as recklessness of father and poor family environment.

3. ERIC M. SMITH (1980)

The facts we have referred above as well in introduction part. A 13 year old boy due to continues abuse at school [Stage 1] and no help from parent's side thus being incapable of controlling his anger issues [Stage 3] strangled, killed, and sodomized the body of 4 year old Derrick Robbie.[Stage 3A]

Character of a boy: Attention seeker, Mostly with grandparents, Introvert and used to peddle alone for hours.

The distinct feature of Eric which got him caught in just a week and also got him 9 year of imprisonment was that Eric went to investigators and asked if he could do any help. He also told them that he saw Derrick last time going to baseball ground.

Interesting fact is how he got caught. Cops found one smashed banana beside Derrick's body and by this time they were at conclusion that a killer is a child. Derrick's mother called all the children from neighbor to snacks and in their dishes she put one banana. Derrick threw it away stating he hates it and got caught.

What does this all tells us. He was not having any guilt feeling after killing rather he went happily to the investigators however when Erick's mother went to him he said crying, "I am sorry". When she asked him, "why", he replied I don't know and cried.

He is going to apply for parole in 2018 for 11th time.

- Reason for him getting dragged into crime can be taken as anger issues, abuse and ignorance from father.

4. ALYSSA BUSTAMENTE (1994)

Both parents used to be high on drugs. She became introvert. She was alone we can say in her house till age 6 year. Then her grandmother took her in but damage was done maybe. She was silent and only talking to her diary. [Stage 2]

She was mostly in her own and at age 13 she tried to commit suicide by taking sleeping pills but her grandmother saved her. She was helped by certain therapists and some antidepressant. [Stage 4]

However it was never case in her study as she was very bright student always got A or Bs in her exams. She then became polite, humble, funny, and confident but inside she was different. She was switching two sides.

She gradually started cutting herself which included watching cut and it bleeding out. Overtime she had around 300 cuts inflicted on her body and many bites and burns as well. [Stage 5A]

She then listed her hobbies on the internet as cutting and killing people. She was so good outside that neighbors gave her their daughters to babysit. Her neighbor girl aged 9 Elizabeth Olton used to come often to her home. Once she digs a grave in forest near her house. (Taking steps towards her urge of killing.)

On 21st October, 2009 when Alyssa was 15 year old she took Elizabeth for walk to that forest there she took out knife but couldn't stab due to struggle of a girl and she strangled the girl then Alyssa buried the body in the grave that she dig. [Stage 5A]

After this she wrote in her diary,

I did it

I have done it

I can't believe it what a rush

Oh I got to go to church now LOL

[Stage 5B 1]

We can consider this case to be a sociopath and the reason can be traced in her diary. She may not be glorifying her crime but she is also not showing any mark of hesitation of her act. It tells us that she became of deprived feelings.

She gave **REASON** as,

“I wanted to see how light in her eyes go out.”

She was diagnosed with antisocial personality disorder and sentenced to life imprisonment. Presently she is in a prison.

- Reason for her getting dragged into crime can be taken as loneliness in childhood and introvert nature.

5. MICHELLE CARTER (2014)

Conrad Roy, 18 year old in July, 2014 was found dead suffocated in his own truck of toxic environment. It was a clear case of suicide, however when detectives checked for the mobile records of Conrad they were shocked to see the messages from his girlfriend Michelle Carter.

Michelle aged 17 year old talked Conrad, suffering from depression and thought of dying, to commit suicide. She talked for about 40-50 minutes in which she made him take a walk and then to drive to lonely place and take his own life. She is found guilty and to be punished, now at age of 20 years. The messages if we read then we can understand that she was not any girl of 16 year of age rather a girl with intelligence of driving a man out of his house and make him kill himself, all by just sitting at home and chatting.

Even when, suffocated and frightened Conrad came out of his truck, she made him to go back again in same suffering environment. She was a person with wicked intelligence as she did all this being at home and being in distance relationship; she very gradually turned the mind of the boy.

Reason still unknown yet the features of the case and leaked messages put this case in the list of juvenile killers.

The message conversation can be seen on internet to see how she worked through it.⁵

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⁵<http://metro.co.uk/2017/06/16/woman-found-guilty-of-pushing-her-boyfriend-to-suicide-with-chilling-text-messages-6714049>

SOCIOPATHS AND PSYCHOPATHS

We are supposed to identify these two terms so as to differentiate people accordingly and to defer them from regular criminals so that at times of parole we can decide for the matter.

Very much dangerous side of the juvenile crime is this phase. Darkest of the darkest side is psychopaths and sociopaths. These are no more children. They are not some misdirected or swayed or abused souls, they may be result of such abuse or stress but they are no more victims. They hunt and find prey.

Sociopaths are not much harder to recognize as they are not having any feelings or emotions and they are less dangerous. However sociopath or psychopath is not identity or characteristic rather a stage of one's mind.

A person may be sociopath but later become a psychopath. A psychopath is more dangerous. They are not just emotionless human being having tendency of harming other, they are more of a crime glorifier. They rationalize and glorify what they do. They do crime to satisfy or fulfill their own urge. They are not like sociopaths who have no conscious or morals or ethics, they are one step ahead. They consider offensive acts as their morals and way of life.

Psychopaths are mostly by birth and sometimes seen situational. They may be scholars, and tending to be intelligent. They grab ideas from environment and try to leave an impression. Sociopaths are not concerned with image or fame and they are less dangerous.

There are certain examples by which we will see how children turned gradually into psychopaths or sociopaths and what happened consequently.

(Case details/facts have been taken from the individual documentaries of the personals.)

1. JESSE POMEROY (1859) 12 year old at time of arrest.

In history of USA when theorist were considering "sociopaths" and "psychopaths" as similar conditions and called both of them under one definition, depraved feelings.

Born in 1859, Jesse Pomeroy, famously known as "Child torturer", was not a same by birth. His mother a young lady married to an old soldier. Drunken father used to beat him and when extreme drunk he used to **strip him naked and would tie him to wooden log then beat him with leather belt.** [Stage 1]

When mother found out this all it was already late as mind was affected. Jesse became introvert. [Stage 2]

He stopped talking and his mom took him with her to different place after divorce. He used to beat animals thus his impression in neighborhood was no good. In 1870 he killed without any reason neighbor's cat. [Stage 5A]

His mother scolded him but he was with his cool signs on face and showed no emotions. [Stage 5B]

In 1871 William Billy a 4 year old found **beaten and stripped tied to wooden tree by rope**. He was cold but saved alive.

In 1872 Tracy Hayden 7 year old found frozen but alive **violently beaten and stripped, tied to wooden**.

Later Robert Mayor 8year old found and he told, he tried to drown him but taken out alive then tied to wooden beam, stripped, beaten violently and **compelled to speak bad words, cursing words** (shows more urge, improvisation as old method became common). [Stage 5B 1]

Later then he in addition to stripping and beating also dig tack in child's buttock. This shows his urges are expanding and he is gradually turning more violent and he is not just beating and running away rather he is using more and more things to get satisfied. [Stage 5B 1 but improvising]

Jesse kidnapped a six year old boy Henry Austin and this time he stabbed with knife for several times but child was saved. [Stage 5B 2]

Jesse attacked 5 year old Robert Gould who later found tied to telephone booth naked.

Thus till now no victim had died and Jesse got arrested as his one eye had white shed which and other such features matched with sketch given by children.

He got caught and sent in reforms for 6 years however his mother got him out in 2 years as she had some acquaintance in officials. In 1874 he was released at age of 14 years and same year a 10 year old girl namely Marry Curran got missing.

4 year old Horras Mellon found dead half burnt, stabbed and naked. And officials recognized the pattern of the killer they instantly got Jesse arrested and meanwhile the body of 10 year old Marry Curran found from basement of Jesse Pomeroy's shop.

He was sentenced to Life imprisonment.

- The only reason of this psychopath in his becoming was the abuse that he felt. It might sound weird but if we just stop to feel, for a time, agony of a child, when he was stripped and tied to wooden log naked by rope then beaten by leather belt due to which he had marks and wounds all over his, then we might say that the real culprit was a father.

2. GRAHAM YOUNG (1947)

A person famously known as, “TEACUP KILLER”. He has on his name many ill credits. His mother was not with him and he used to live with his father and stepmother. He had a good family environment with father, stepmother and stepsister. He was, again introvert. He was a bright student and person with chemistry genius.

He was having his profound interest in chemistry and very specifically poisonous chemistry and also he was a follower of Nazis and Hitler. What good can come out of Nazi thoughts and poisons? At age 11 he got a gift from his father on his birthday which was a chemistry lab set and from here started his journey.

In this story we cannot consider stages of change as Graham most probably was a born psychopath. However there is one fact that has our eye on it.

Graham tested his poison from lab on his friend by giving him some dose in his sandwich which resulted only into his disease and thus Graham went home and started writing results in his diary.

Later he felt need of Lab rats which can be studied on daily basis and Graham chose very nearest 3, His father, Stepmother and Stepsister. He started giving them poison and specific more dose was administered to stepmother.

Stepmother gradually fell ill and died while Graham was making day to day notes on changing level of disease like a profound chemistry scientist. The poison made by Graham was such that it disappeared in post mortem report. His father fell ill and with damaged liver this was the time when doctors saw possibility of drugs, when they were confused between two drugs, Graham went to them and gave them perfect detail of how to distinguish between two.

Graham got caught and sent to mental reformatory for 15 years. Here he accessed library and started reading poison books. He made poison out of the floor of jail hospital and administered to one prisoner who died as it was cyanide. No one believed that Graham can do it.

He then was transferred to some chemical factory and given work. Here he made a poison, “thallium” **which was actually idea given in some Novel of that time.** Here he poisoned Fred Biggs, Bob William.

When doctors found nothing, **Graham went to them and started asking what tests they conducted and not satisfied by answers he with some irritation at last spoke, “have you checked for the possibility of Thallium”.** (Psychopaths tend to show their work as great deed so if you ignore their work they will be unpleasant.)

When he got caught he wrote a letter to media stating,

“Make me so famous that I wind up in the chamber of horrors at Madame Tussauds. I want to go down in history as very famous murderer.”

Graham died mysteriously in his own prison cell at age of 42. He often had big cosmetic companies asking his opinion.

3. CRAIG PRICE (1987)

A 13 year old kid, born on 11th October 1973 (currently aged 44 still in jail) was a very masculine bodied personality. He was not like other kids weak or timid rather a bully in himself. He was a hulky football player. He at age of 13 did his first murder; stabbing his neighbor a white female Rebecca Spence a 27 year old mother of two, Craig stabbed her 58 times to death. The murder went unsolved.

After entirely 2 years later when he was 15 year old he stabbed 3 white females, John Heaton and her two daughters, when got caught Craig told how he bit Heaton’s face while stabbing her 68 times.

He got caught due to a cut on his hand which he could not explain to the detectives. He was, when arrested, a month away from his 16th birthday and thus tried as juvenile.

Hardly, any family condition, no abuse as he was himself a bully with masculine figure. He can be added in the category of “By Birth Psychopath”. He had a pattern in his victims which stands unsolved.

Craig was treated as juvenile. Law was made to treat juveniles as adults but couldn’t apply retrospectively similar case as that of “Nirbhaya Rape Case”, however people started protesting on release of Craig on his 21st birthday as the term of rehabilitation

seemed meaningless and thus just around a month or two before he was to release. He was charged by court with assault in prison, extortion to prison officer, criminal intimidation and many other such charges giving him sentence of 25 years. (Probably something we couldn't do and a rapist got chance of roaming in society with changed identity.)

In 2020 at age of 46 he might get released and then God Bless America because after going through so many cases you might want to think that, a born psychopaths always stays psychopaths.

WHY ONLY SOME CHILDREN DOING CRIME.

The question can be asked from the other side as well. If it feels hard to know why children are committing crimes then we can also analyze those who go through same problems and same experiences and still don't become criminals. Why they are not converting and only some get swayed away.

The answer is not a single line. Some do commit crime due to their past abuse but they are not the only one getting such abuse there are many others facing similar or even more abuse than them and still not converting into criminals.

Abuse, poor family condition, bad parenting all of these are external forces that pushes a child to do something but what if the same factors are prevailing in the life of many other children as well and still they are not doing crimes.

Thus we can say that there are two kinds of factors deciding criminal behavior of a child.

1. External Factors
2. Internal Factors

External Factors

External factors may include all the things that a child gets from society, Abuse, harassment, poor family condition, bad parenting, violent visual, etc. These all factors are not creating factors rather they are an **influencing factors**. They give a push to the aggression or create a precondition to the crime.

In most above cases we have seen influencing factors or external factors because that is what we as a society do and we can work upon.

Internal Factors

Internal factors are those within a child. It may include many things, personality, perception, nature, psychology, genes etc. These are **creating factors** and they are within a child. In rehabilitation these factors are worked upon especially those related with psychology.

Internal factors are very crucial parts. Whatever we do is based on what our mind tell us. A child as stated before has vulnerable and open mind. This mind is open and without restrain unlike adults who know what to accept and what not to grasp.

Personality

We cannot say that a person is born with criminal personality. A person however may have a personality that can lead him/her to the crime much more than others. As we have seen in above cases most children were introvert or became introvert, one of the important personality traits. You can hardly see a serial killer talkative, living with peoples, cheering and celebrating with them, joyful and talkative personality.

Introverts are more likely to sway into crimes. This might be reason that people of society or family sometimes force you to make conversation, make friends etc. because that is how you socialize.

Perception

Perception is how you interpret your environment and get resulting ideas. If abuse is coming to one person he may say, "I will get out of this one day", to other person it might be, "Why all do this to me", to some it might be, "can't tolerate rather should die", and to very some it may come as, "Can't tolerate let them tell how it feels to me".

So it is about how you take it and this is the reason some after interpretation come to resulting idea of crying, some of suicide and some of revenge.

Nature

Nature here comes in two ways. Firstly, whether a person is sensitive or practical and secondly, whether a person is sheep (tolerating) or a rebel.

When a person is sensitive then he may take even a small hurdle as a big problem and go for over-thinking it. Such people can get out of trail even by smallest of tension in family or at school. On the other hand those who are more of a practical nature or view point, “this happens in life, there are always ups and downs”, these people take problems lightly and thus they hardly get affected by such problems. However it is very hard to find such nature in children as they are considered sensitive and thus they can be divided into sensitive and overly sensitive.

Similarly when a person is of tolerant nature they usually don't react to their problem. They might not be able to tolerate at extreme circumstances but at the same time they don't have guts to take out their anger on other person. Then there are rebels, they are usually not into crimes but may offend those who try to hurt them. If you can take cases of those children who killed their parents because parents did abuse them then you are looking at Rebels. Rebels are not serial killers as they are spontaneous and against those who try to suppress them.

Then there are other views stating that person may be criminal on the basis of their Genes, this however is a theory to be tested on many grounds. It is not necessary that a criminal's child will be a criminal, similarly it is not necessary that even if the child of criminal has become a criminal then it was not due to other factors in his/her life rather due to their genes.⁶

Thus internal or creating factors are very important in juvenile crimes and also important while taking in mind the rehabilitation of a child.

⁶<http://www.dailymail.co.uk/sciencetech/article-1332927/New-research-suggests-criminal-behaviour-genes.html>

REHABILITATION

The rehabilitation when can work and when not, and can a child killer, serial killer, sociopaths or even a psychopaths have any possibilities of returning from what they have become. These all questions are our concerns so we will take the rehabilitation process as ideal one as we are not concerned about its methodology rather its effect on the mind of the person.

For a child killer that has been swayed into doing crime as we saw in chain, rehabilitation is indeed a second chance. However it is a decision to put back a homicide criminal into society which might not sound very good idea.

Rehabilitation facility is for those children who committed crime due to certain reasons and as a child were totally unaware about seriousness of taking away life.

We can take example of Catherine and Curtis Jones who at age of 12 years killed their stepmother, shot her dead by firing 9 rounds at her of which 4 got her. When they got caught they were youngest ever to be charged with first degree murder as adults. After much time of being jailed the fact came out that they suffered enough physical violence and sexual abuse in that home. They were charged with 18 years of imprisonment and at age 29 came out of the jail.⁷

These children in rehabilitation only need to be told about the alternatives available and anger management or the consequences of death etc. They can be rehabilitated as their story simply shows why they took the high road.

SERIAL KILLERS are not that easy however to bring back as they are the one confident in their work and might have evolved much, so chances always be that they may commit it again. Serial killers are those who kill with specific signs or method and between two consequent murders they usually leave some relaxing space known as cooling time.

Serial killers are tending to go for the crime again however they can be identified of being reformed or not from their behavior.

⁷<http://www.dailymail.co.uk/news/article-3177807/America-s-youngest-convicted-murderer-released-prison-age-29-serving-sixteen-years-killing-father-s-girlfriend-just-12-years-old.html>

SOCIOPATHS are usually not seen reformed as the one with completely depraved feelings hardly get linked to rehabilitating techniques and thus they are not likely to reform however those who have less emotions can be turned back. For example we have seen a case of Mary Bell who was a sociopath converting into psychopath and also she was a serial killer who evolved while her second murder. But still she got rehabilitation and at present mother of a girl and grandmother at age of 55.

Aim of punishment is to bring change in any person and to make him something different so that he can cope up in society.

And then there are the psychopaths. Professor David Wilson- Former prison governor, was asked,

- Can a prisoner fool a psychiatrist to believe that he/she is okay in order to get out?

Prof. David Wilson stated that, Yes, of course it can be done. We have to be very cautious while taking decision of putting an offender of grievous offence, back in society.⁸

This is true as we see the example of psychopaths, as stated earlier psychopaths are very intelligent and great actors. We can take example of Graham Young our “Teacup killer”, He when sent to the rehabilitation centre and mentally reformatory, He appeared so clear in front of psychiatrist that they let him go. He knew that if he wants to get out of there he will have to appear clear and he fooled the prison psychiatrists.

This is why we have to distinguish sociopaths from psychopaths. Before they were not distinguished and thus in many trials of juvenile court considered those morally deprived as psychopaths, e.g. Mary Bell

While in other cases court mistaken psychopaths as sociopaths and ordered that very long term for rehabilitation resulting into the offenders committing crime again, e.g. Jesse Pomeroy

Thus psychopaths are hardly having chance on rehabilitation and thus they are usually not to be granted short term rehabilitation or parole.

However it is not that prison psychiatrists are not sharp at work. They are not always to get fooled as they are very profound in their ways of studying a person.

For example Eric M. Smith have been denied parole for over 10 times and he is going to apply for it 11th time in 2018. Brenda Spencer applied for parole after 26 years of imprisonment and still after her moral behavior, all regretting and crying in front of authority she was given 4 more years to wait in prison before next parole.

⁸<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=ca3FwnnofQA>

Thus it is not that prison authority will be liberal, get swayed in emotions, they are humans after all. These all are wrong dialogues as they work on perfect math which is hardly possible to be unwrapped and understood.

Thus conclusive part can be, some are good and some are bad, those who have been through their punishment then to be set free and those who are on wrong path are to be brought on right path. However there are some with affection towards crime and do crime as satisfaction or fulfilling their urge, they are not supposed to be given a free hand near society or in society.

Future of crime world

There was a time when people used to do their job considering it their duty and some as source of income. Career was chosen by people on the basis of their needs and money but not the same case now, is it? In modern society people choose everything on the basis of their interest, passion.

A person wants to become crime investigator because he is fascinated by crime. Now take same person on different path. He loves crime, takes crime as an art or passion. Some serial killers leave trails, marks so that they can challenge cops.

In one series “Dexter”, they showed in their first season a psychopath **serial killer who slide cut female prostitutes to draw all blood out of them and then totally dry body he cuts in pieces and then decorate a crime scene without blood.**

You will say what is the meaning of writing this here then maybe you are not following the trail of crime news. This series came out in year 2006 and in 2015 in Croydon, London, one female cat body parts were found without a drop of blood. Ignored at that time but when the same thing started happening as a chain, **Female cats, drawn all blood, cut in pieces the dry body parts, throwing them at some place.** Now the London authority and media may not have seen connection between these two but if you see it then you may also found connection. At present from 2015 to 2017 there are around 370 cats have been mutilated similarly and killer yet not found.⁹

Just think that one day he thinks that he is not getting enough satisfaction from these cats and that may be the time is to jump from Female cats to the Female human being. This psycho serial killer if not got caught soon then turnout will be same as that shown in “Dexter”.

This is happening in today’s world. Cat killer might have taken idea from “Dexter”, Graham young took idea of Thallium poisoning from one novel of that time. A novel showing detailed

way of making and using thallium similarly a television series showing complete detail of how a serial killer strip prostitute, mark them, hang them upwards down to get all blood out and then freeze them and cut them into pieces.

So what we as a society are giving has to be, sometimes, noticed as you might not know that idea you gave, in one of your stories, of killing person has reached to the mind of a person travelling with you daily in subway. **WOMEN IN BRITAIN ALL OVER ARE FRIGHTENED AS THEY ARE AFRAID THAT THE FEMALE CAT KILLER MIGHT CHOOSE THEM AS HIS/HER NEXT TARGET.**

What is the future? – A designed crime I personally think.



⁹<https://www.express.co.uk/news/nature/855018/croydon-cat-killer-news-latest-uk-attacks-pet>

CONCLUSION

A child killer is firstly a child and thus s/he is a vulnerable and reckless in his/her act. Children do what you say or what they get. A child in jungle grows as an animal as shown in character of Mowgly or Tarzan. Children take everything from their environment, as an adult we have learnt to say no but a child is open to all things he gets. Till the age of 18 he is actually building his own conscious on the basis of society. In jungle the Adivasi (tribal) children will easily kill the animals and might take pride in it but for the city child it is immoral to hurt an animal.

We are having thousands of novels in which we read of murders, in many movies we see an actor committing crime and many series like Dexter shows nude and violent content, all of which is open to all for access. These things affect the mind of children.

Parents are supposed to ask a child if he had any problematic events in a day rather we hear is abuse from society and addition of abuse from parents. If you are giving poisonous chemistry, equipments, easily available poisonous chemicals to children of 11 years of age and some abuse with addition of Nazi morals, what more you could have expected from 11 year old Graham Young rather than going on way of becoming teacup killer.

When your child comes crying of physical extreme abuse to the level that he cries literally for help and only suggestion you give is to relive anger on those stuff who doesn't fight back, what more do you expect from 13 year old Eric Smith with anger issues.

When a boy stripped and beaten tied with wood, for months in cold then not given any therapist or other help even when he killed a cat no further move was taken but to scold him, what do you expect from him rather he repeating same scene he was the subject as a child.

The all cases listed above are those where the children were showing signs from stage to stage and sometimes telling others also about their transforms verbally or expressly then what parents were doing?

Not considering by birth psychopaths or sociopaths then killer can be blamed for his/her acts but a child killer cannot be by birth a killer. Child cannot be considered responsible for his/her acts and thus blame accepted or not goes on firstly parents, then society and even to certain level entertainment industries.

Children are god's gift and that is what they are supposed to remain.