

## New Culture

*There's a new culture starting to  
arise,  
It's not just boys or girls- they're  
unified  
It's a culture of family of levels and  
size,  
Made up of young people who are  
often unwise*

*It encourages weapons; it  
encourages fights,  
It encourages young boys to walk  
around bearing knives  
This culture is deadly and dangerous  
too,  
We know all about it, it's there on the  
news*

*Murder statistics increasing,  
Police being criticized for their  
policing  
Blame is being placed on the family  
setup,  
Boys with out fathers having to man  
up*

*This new culture is gangs, knives,  
and guns,  
Parents just wonder, "what  
happened to fun"  
But to some of them this is fun you  
see,  
A real life replica on the games they  
play on TV*

*Teenagers, college students-no  
matter how old  
There's a job for everyone, that's what  
they're told  
Don't mix with the others, carry your  
knife  
I need you to take this somewhere  
tonight*

*This new culture thrives on broken  
families and single mothers,  
It's increasing fast it's not like any  
other  
It targets our youth; it draws in our  
boys,  
It leaves them treating weapons as if  
they are toys*

*It's hard to get out, there's nowhere to  
run,  
If you try it's like staring down the  
barrel of a gun  
No doubt it's a family, but you're not  
free to leave  
But the pressure and guilt you'll  
struggle to heave*

*There's a new culture starting to arise,  
It's filled with young people who are often  
unwise.*

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