
Subject: Whodunnit?!?!

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This is a bit of a hot topic in the UK right now and I have to say I just want to vent a bit and see if anyone agrees with me.

For anyone who isn't familiar with this story it concerns a little girl from England who disappeared back in May this year while on holiday with her parents in Portugal. Now the story goes that her parents (well to do Doctors) had decided to go to a tapas bar one night near they hotel apartment with friends. They apparently were aware that the hotel they stayed at provided a baby-sitting facility at an extra cost, they however decided that they didn't want to pay said cost and thought it best to go to the bar with friends and leave their (then) 3 year old daughter and 2 year old twin siblings asleep in the hotel room and check on them every 30 minutes. During this time the little girl (Madeline) disappeared. Police and Parents claim she was kidnapped and there has been a major police search ever since.

Now (the venting part) for the last 4/5 months British papers have been (seemingly) talking about nothing else but little Madeline and her "poor parents" <--- that parts kinda irks me. I am a single mother of two, now if I ever decided one night that I wanted to go out and leave my kids home alone and one of them disappeared or was hurt, I would lose custody of my remaining children and most probably be imprisoned for child endangerment etc. So why do these well to do doctors get nothing but a 5 month long pity party? They left their children alone and now one of which it seems has paid the ultimate price for their flippant attitude to parenting, yet everyone feels sorry for them!?! And recently they have been named as suspects in their own daughter's disappearance, which they have vehemently denied, and still the pity continues.....

Whether they murdered their daughter or not I feel that their lack of proper parenting is completely responsible for their daughters disappearance and the only person in this sad state of affairs to pity or feel sorry for is poor little Madeline.

Is it just me or am I not alone in how I feel?
