



Re: Compensation culture in class (Ann Widdecombe *Daily Express* 25 May 2011)

If Ann Widdecombe wanted answers about why some children are awarded compensation following an injury at school, perhaps she should speak to her old colleague Lord Young.

His recent review of health and safety found that "people who have suffered an injustice through someone else's negligence should be able to claim redress" and that the so-called "compensation culture" is more "perception rather than reality".

Compensation can only be awarded if negligence can be proven. It cannot be awarded for any old mishap.

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