

Dramatized Media Events in Children of Men

Social Problems in 2027

- Deterioration of the environment
 - Pollution: garbage littering streets; smoke/smog
 - Death of livestock
 - Nuclear warfare (outside UK)
- Drugs
 - Advertising for assisted suicide and anti-depressant medication: government propaganda to manage population?
 - Marijuana is still illegal, while suicide facilitated / encouraged through 'Quietus' drug
 - (Functional) alcoholism
- Immigration
 - Closing of Channel tunnel and border
 - Reporting of refugees integrated into British society
 - Rampant police / government abuse of refugees
 - Dehumanization of refugees, treated as animals in cages
- Terrorism
 - Terrorism (bombing/suicide attack; gun violence; chaos)
 - Political radicalism (rebellion; retaliation)
- War
 - UK represented as isolated military power, supposedly the last country to "solider on"
 - Military violence and killing of civilians
 - Abuses echoing Nazi Germany and the Holocaust
 - Visual similarities with American imperialism and Abu Ghraib photos
 - Visual similarities with photojournalism covering the Syrian War
- Government corruption
 - Control of government elites over transit papers
 - Misrepresentation of Fishes and rebel groups
 - Generalized distrust of government
- Social Struggles
 - Wealth inequality
 - Class struggle
 - Racism
- Physical Health
 - Flu pandemic
 - Infertility

- Policing of women's bodies
- Self-medication (alcohol, pills, cigarettes)
- Plastic surgery for youthful appearance
- Mental Health
 - Depression
 - Hopelessness
 - Obsession with digital gadgets
 - Isolation / solitude / loneliness
 - Lack of romantic relationships
 - Lack of family life