**Child Protection Services Research Report**

\*In order to build background knowledge for the novel *A Child Called It* you will conduct research to learn more about child abuse and child protective agencies. Please answer the following questions thoroughly and use these websites to help guide your research:

<http://www.dss.cahwnet.gov/cdssweb/pg93.htm>

<http://hss.sbcounty.gov/dcs/CPS/default.htm>

<http://portal.countyofventura.org/portal/page/portal/VCHSA/ChildProtectiveServices>

[http://kidshealth.org/parent/positive/talk/child\_abuse.html#](http://kidshealth.org/parent/positive/talk/child_abuse.html)

**Answer the following questions:**

Who can contact child protective services? **(Bullet Point)**

What do child protective services do with the children they take away from their homes? Where do they get placed? **(Bullet Point)**

What steps/actions does child protective services do to evaluate a home situation before a child is taken away?**(Bullet Point)**

What qualifies as child abuse? (Emotional, physical, sexual, neglect, substance abuse) **(Bullet Point for each type of abuse)**

What side effects can children have from experiencing child abuse? **(Bullet Points)**

Do you think child protective services help keep children safe and make the best choices to ensure a good life for the abused children? Why or why not? **(At least 1 complete paragraph)**

\*\*\*\**You may type your responses or write them out on a separate sheet of paper.*

**DUE: FRIDAY FEBRUARY 7!!!!!**