

## Angela's Powerful Mental Model of "What Life is Like Now."

The "What Life is Like Now" mental model is done in Module 1 of Getting Ahead. On the left side of the page is Angela's dream world, where she can contribute to charities and her kids' college fund. She has two more children and a husband who loves her and is a good dad. They have a house, don't need any agencies, and she has her own business.

In the real world, she is just a number—GH0977. She feels chained and in jail and can't seem to get free. There are people laughing at her because she is stuck. To the right are all the people who judge her because of her current circumstances: housing, Social Security, banks, friends, strangers, children's services, domestic relations, landlords, etc.

