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Gender aspects in the victim behavior of adolescents

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Abstract

This research has been necessitated by the current situation in our society where victim behaviour is developing amongst children and adolescents relating to their changing gender roles. An identification of the causes of the formation of victim behaviour is based on an analysis of the gender characteristics of adolescents. The main research methods used are the Bass-Perry questionnaire and the modified Freiburg Personality Inventory/Form B (FPI-B). This uses a technique of personal orientation study for the identification of the typical forms of respondents' aggressive behaviour and some personality traits. This involves the allocation of four major types of personality orientation (humanistic, egocentric, sociocentric, negativistic). The deformation of gender stereotypes in modern society is reflected in the manifestation of victim behaviour. Level of aggression, as one of the signs of victimisation, is quite high both amongst boys and girls. Adolescents with a negativist personality orientation do not accept themselves or others and they prevail among this category. The research resulted in identifying some features of victim behaviour amongst adolescents of differing genders. No clear gendered features were identified that could be explained as the result of changing gender roles in contemporary society or of masculinisation phenomenon affecting females in particular.

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