Predictors of cyberbullying among Malaysian youth

**ABSTRACT** 

Cyberbullying has emerged of late as a serious issue, especially among the most active internet

users in Malaysia – youths. As the number of related studies is still lacking, the present study

aims to determine the predictors of cyberbullying among youths in Malaysia. The study is

quantitative in nature and in total had involved 400 youths aged between 18 to 40 years old.

The findings suggest that predictors such as age, loneliness, self-esteem, and empathy yielded

significant relationship with cyberbullying, while males were predominantly reported to

perpetrate cyberbullying than females. Several recommendations were highlighted and

hopefully, it can assist any concerned parties in developing concrete strategies to reduce

cyberbullying cases among youths in Malaysia further.

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