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# Impact of Perceived Parenting Styles on Adolescent's Self Esteem and Social Skills

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#### Abstract

Parenting has significant impact in fostering self-esteem and social skills among children. The purpose of this study is to observes the impact of perceived parenting styles on adolescents' self-esteem and social skills among a sample of 500 adolescents (250 male, 250 female) aged 11 to 22, drawn from various schools, colleges, and universities using a convenience sampling method. The Parental Authority Questionnaire, Social Competency Inventory, Social Interaction Checklist, and Rosenberg Self-Esteem Scale were employed for data collection. Results revealed no significant differences across demographic variables such as gender, age, family status and birth order. Pro-social orientation correlated positively with all variables. Social initiative was significantly associated with authoritative parenting styles, while social activity linked to self-esteem and the perceived benefits of social skills. Authoritative and authoritarian styles positively impacted self-esteem, whereas self-esteem showed no significant relationships with demographic factors. Notably, authoritative parenting styles exhibited significant differences related to adolescent age. Overall, the study underlines the critical role of parenting styles in shaping social competencies among adolescents.

Keywords Parenting Styles, Self-esteem, Social Skills

# Introduction

### **Perceived Parenting Styles**

Styles of parenting can be distinct as -the way through parents act, contrary with, castigation, screen, and provision their children (Slicker et al. 2005). Baumrind (1991) methods of parenting are accepted world widely. Authoritative, authoritarian, neglectful and permissive, Baumrind (1991) defines 4 these Parenting styles. (Baumrind 1991).

#### The Authoritarian Parenting Style

Parents with Authoritarian style are bad in responsiveness and good in demandingness. They hoped to obey theirs orders without asking them about their demands (Baumrind 1991).

## The Authoritative Parenting Style

These parents worth the both like independent self-will and well-organized conformity (Baumrind 1991).

## The Permissive Parenting Style

Parents are not the active participants for shaping, altering and directing the behavior of Children (Baumrind 1991). Childs regulate their own activities according to their own choice.

## Self-Esteem

Self-esteem is grade one's actions and potentials as negative or positive, (Ellis, 1994), evaluating the self was the basics which results in crucial the self as solemn or non-solemn. Self-esteem explains the

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individual classifies as an individual's overall knowledge of themselves. It can be ingenious a kind of portion of how much a person "approves of, prizes, appreciates or likes him or herself and values" (Adler & Stewart, 2004).

### **Types of Self-Esteem**

### Global self-esteem

Brown and Marshall explain that Global self-esteem implies as a sagacity of warmth for himself that is not resulting from critical, coherent procedures. (Brown & Marshall, 2001). It is highlighted as emotional processes (Brown & Marshall, 2001).

### Trait self-esteem

The admiration a person has himself/herself over the time is called trait self- esteem (Gilovich, Nisbett & Keltner, 2006). Some time it is considered as a part of one's personality.

## Academic self-esteem

The performance a person, do academically. It is the feeling of self-value (Valizadeh, 2012).

# Low Self-Esteem

As social-bonding theory explains the low self-esteem deteriorates bonds to society; (Hirschi, T. 1969) feebler bonds to society increase delinquency & decrease conformity to social norms (Hirschi, T. 1969). They associated this with parental rejection in early childhood. More precisely, Tracy and Robins (2003) a person blame himself that creates the feeling of hostility towards others, by this a person protecting himself from feeling of inferiority.

## **Connection between Self-esteem & Parenting Styles**

Gecas and Schwalbe (1986) study that parenting style & self-esteem are closely related to each other, they possess positive relationship (Gecas and Schwalbe 1986). Researches in several states have proved adolescent's development is directly linked to diverse parenting styles (Maccoby and Martin 1983). Maccoby and Martin (1983) discussed on receptiveness (the extent to which parents respond to their children's demands) and demandingness (the extent to which the parents make demands on their children).

# Social Skill

Social skills, the adaptation and maintaining existing social relationship in short-term and long-term effects on an individual's life (Gulay H., Akman B 2009).

### Social skills development

Skills processes, it comes under bioecological model these are the principal apparatuses of human social development, (i.e., in the microsystem interactions between individuals such as family, peers, and school) (Bronfenbrenner & Morris, 2007). Viewed from a transactional point of view (Sameroff & Mackenzie, 2003), social settings provided the growing environment for children in social settings, it alters the enduring connections (Sameroff & Mackenzie, 2003). The proximal procedures should be predominately supportive, consistent, positive, and occur on a steady foundation over time in order to substitute children's development of social skills (Davis, 2003).

#### **Attributes of Social Skills**

- Social capacities must to be below the psychological regulator of the individual learning them contains apprehending when to operate exact practices, and in addition what practices to employ, or how to employ them (Van Meter, 1994).
- Thoughtfulness: "thinking ahead" about what may be a decent thing to accomplish for individual's companion. (Slicker, 2005)

#### **Literature Review**

Maziti (2014) accompanied a study to regulate the association between self-esteem and parenting styles among adolescents in Zimunya. The examinees age range 16-18 year old were (N=98) who were strained from Form 6 and 4 classes. Results of study indicate the negative correlation between self-esteem and authoritarian parenting style a positive correlation between authoritative parenting style and self-esteem. Research indicates that positive parenting styles has important role in building self-esteem in teenage children, parents be fortified with associate on the effects of the parenting styles on the establishment of self-esteem and skills appropriate to the growth and needs.

Chiew (2011) conducted a study on University Tunku Abdul Rahman (UTAR). (N=100) a sample of 100 UTAR students were designated for this investigation. The study defined the relationship between self-esteem and parenting styles. Result shown that important connotation was originated between authoritative and authoritarian parenting style on levels on self-esteem. It was

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intricate that dominant parenting style was authoritative parenting style importantly related to selfesteem. Results display that authoritative children's have high level of self-esteem than authoritarian children.

Henry and Roxanne (2010) conducted a study on Mitchell's Plain, a suburb in the Western Cape. (N=239) participants were adolescent students drawn from 3 schools from grade 10 and 11. This study observes the connotation between adolescent substance use and perceived parenting styles. Results indicate that perceived authoritative parenting style was related to substance use reduction. However, no substantial associations could be indicated between authoritarian parenting styles and perceived permissive. Important modification was indicated in the results obtained for female and male adolescents, with males usually appearing to use more substances. Adolescent substance abuse was directly linked to perceived authoritative parenting styles.

Bartholomeu et al. (2016) revealed significant correlations between parenting styles and children's social skills. The study sample included 202 children both male and female with ages between 7-10 years. The findings indicated that positive parenting styles predict altruistic behaviors, while negative styles correlated with higher levels of assertiveness, conversational skills, and social confidence. In terms of overall social skills, the most effective predictors included positive monitoring, lax discipline, moral behavior, and experiences of physical abuse; ultimately suggesting that greater social skill levels are associated with lower instances of abusive parenting.

## **Objectives of the Study**

1. To examine the association among perceived parenting style, self-esteem and social skill.

## Hypothesis

There is a significant relationship among Parenting style (authoritarian, authoritative, permissive parenting style) self-esteem and social skills.

### Methods

### **Research Design**

In this Research Correlational research design was used to identify the relationship between the variables.

### **Participants & Instrument**

The participants were recruited from different schools, colleges and universities, comprised of 500 adolescents (250 Male & 250 Female) by using convenient sampling technique. Participant age ranged was from 11-22 years of age. Parental authority questionnaire: Buri's (1991) (Shorted Version)

Social competency inventory: (Rydell, A. M., Hagekull, B., and Bohlin, G 1997) Social Interaction Checklist: Danny Wayne Pettry II (2006). Rosenberg self-esteem scale: Florence Rosenberg (1965) was used.

#### Procedure

The data was collected from the students (250 Male & 250 Female) of different schools, colleges, and universities. The participants were approached separately and then questionnaires along with consent form and demographic sheet were given to them. The entire participant had taken minimum time to fill the questionnaires. They all are very cooperative and showed great attitude. All the respondents were acknowledged for their collaboration.

#### Results

The data was analyzed using the SPPS (statistical packages of social science 21.00). Significant level of 0.05 was used for all the analysis. Linear regression analysis was computed to find out the association between the dependent variables and predictor. Independent sample t-test also used to find out the compression between variables.

## Table No. 1.

There is a significant relationship among Parenting style (authoritarian, authoritative, permissive, parenting style) self-esteem and social skills.

<b>Pro-orientation</b>		Social	Social	Social	Benefits of	Self-	AuthoritativeAuthoritarianPermissive		
		Initiative	Activity	skills	social	Esteem			
					Skills	Scale			
Pro-social	1	.247**	.103*	.416**	.262**	144**	.305**	.222**	.155**
Orientation									
Social		1	.068	.103*	009	084	.128**	.090*	.062
Initiative			1	.335**				.016	.003

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Social Activity		.263**	156**	.056						
Social Skills	1	.657**	278**	.269**	.185**	.036				
Benefits of		1	257**	.178**	.138**	.018				
Social Skills										
Self-esteem			1	.030	001	.029				
Scale										
Authoritative				1	.393**	.212**				
Authoritarian					1	.441**				

#### Permissive Conclusion

Table showing the correlational coefficient matrix of variables, Pro-social orientation shows significant relationship with all variables. Social initiative is significantly correlated to the authoritative style of parenting. Social activity is significantly correlated to the social skills, benefits of social skills and self- esteem. Social skills significantly correlated to the benefits of social skills, self-esteem, authoritarian parenting styles. Benefits of social skills are significantly correlated to the self-esteem has no significant relationship with other variables. Statistical analysis of hypothesis reveals that there is no significant difference in perceived parenting style self-esteem and social skills on the basics of demographic variables like, gender, age, birth order and family status.

# Recommendations

It is recommended for the further research that the Sample size should be increased. Nation wise study should be done to have more reliable results. These variables should be tested with others variable like personality trait, depression, anxiety, mood disorders, emotional expressiveness, psychological wellbeing.

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