

The Relations among child temperament, parent-child relationship and behavior adjustment in mixed marriage family

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ABSTRACT

The purpose of this study was to examine the relations among child temperament (emotionality, activity, sociality), parent-child relationship (possession, disciplinary warmth, personal closeness, warm, assertion), and behavioral adjustment (individual, family, school, interpersonal) in mixed marriage family. Three hundred fifty-two children participated in this study from mixed marriage family. A self-report measure temperament, parent-child relationship, and behavioral adjustment was administered. The results of this study showed: (a) gender had significant difference (girls had better behavioral adjustment than boys); (b) both temperament and parent-child relationship were positively predicted behavioral adjustment. (c) parent-child relationship variables were stronger predictors of behavioral adjustment than were temperament variables and mediated the relations between temperament indicator and behavioral adjustment from mixed marriage family.