

ABSTRACT

Interpersonal Communication between Children and Parents (Study on Indonesian Students Studying Abroad)

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This research was conducted with the aim to know interpersonal communication conducted by children and parents and to know what obstacles exist when communicating using computer-based media. The background of this study is that usually children and parents live together and communicate directly. However, when the child has grown up and continues his studies abroad, there will be a change in communication. On the other hand, communication between children and parents must still be done in order to keep the closeness between them growing. This study used the concepts of Computer Mediated Communication, Interpersonal Communication and Barriers to test the research conducted. This research also uses descriptive qualitative research methods and conducts interviews, library studies and observations as data collection techniques. The result of this study is effective interpersonal communication conducted by informants so that the informants in this study have a good communication foundation that comes from the closeness and openness between each other. In addition, the informants have a strong family resilience because of the support and trust. So when conducting interpersonal communication using computer-based media, informants are not affected by any obstacles that arise when communicating. Although in this study it is known that there is a change in self-openness between children and parents for fear of worrying if telling the problem or condition that is being faced. But the main obstacle of the six informants is the physical barrier consisting of activities and also signals.

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