

Corporal Punishment across Nations: Its Nature and Effects

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ABSTRACT

Uses of corporal punishment by parents and teachers since centuries have made it a social practice. There are many long and short-term effects of corporal punishment on the life and behavior of a child. The paper presents the current status of corporal punishment and presents its implications. The proponents of corporal punishment say, it is necessary for the treatment of inappropriate behaviour and promoting appropriate behavior. Impact of corporal punishment was reflected through some studies conducted on students who had experienced corporal punishment. It was found through the arguments and views of various educationalists that corporal punishments damages, physical and mental health, destroy the learning and education of a child and create anxiety and antisocial behavior. The paper asserts that corporal punishment may be eradicated or decreased by using scientific approaches, thus this research proposes a number of appropriate methods to minimize the use of corporal punishment at homes and schools.

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