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Effect of personality traits on cyber crime awareness of adolescents

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Abstract

The study was conducted to assess the 'effect of personality traits on cyber crime awareness of adolescents'. The study was based on 200 adolescents (*i.e.* 100 rural and 100 urban) in the age range of 16-18 years. The sample was randomly drawn from four Government Senior Secondary Schools purposively selected from rural as well as urban areas of Ludhiana district. Self structured general information sheet was prepared to collect the general information of the adolescents. Differential personality inventory by Singh and Singh (2014) and Cyber Crime Awareness Scale by Rajasekhar (2011) were used to assess personality traits and cyber crime awareness of the respondents respectively. Results revealed that in masculinity, responsibility, dominance, decisiveness, curiosity, hetero sexuality, ego strength, friendliness and overall personality traits had made a significant contribution towards cyber crime awareness of the adolescents.