Addictive Vulnerability of Modern Processes of its Regulation

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Introduction

Ascertaining experiment

Purpose

Study of the features of self-regulation in adolescents prone to problematic behaviour.

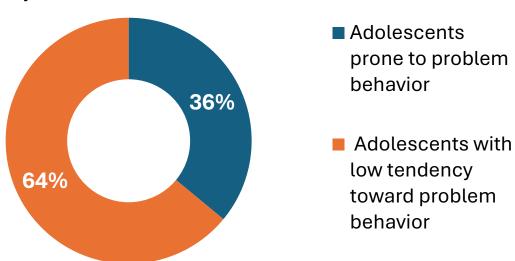
Research methodology

For diagnostics, the following were used: questionnaire "DAP-P" (Diagnostics of accentuations of adolescent behaviour), the technique "Stylish self-regulation of human behaviour" (V.I. Morosanova, E.M. Konoz).

Diagnostic Study

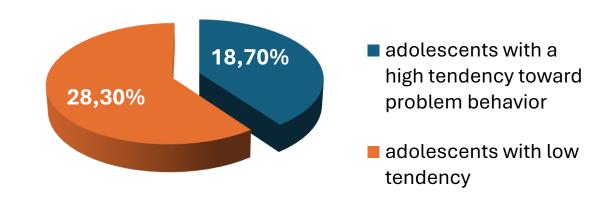
- 64% of youth show normative behaviour.
- 36% are at risk (delinquent, suicidal, or addictive behaviours).
- This group displays **lower self-regulation** (average score 18.7) than their peers (average score 28.3).

Distribution of adolescents by type of tendency toward problem behaviour



Tendency toward problem behaviour

Expression of the general indicator of self-regulation of adolescents with different tendencies to problem behaviour (N=56).



Formative experiment

Objective

Development of self-regulation and emotional stability in adolescents prone to problematic behavior through participation in psychological and pedagogical training.

Method used

The following practices were used within the training:

1. Stop - Pause - Action

Learn to recognize the moment of an emotional outburst, pause and then consciously choose a reaction.

2. Emotional Thermometer

Daily self-monitoring of emotional state → recognize and regulate stressful conditions.

3. The role of the observer

An exercise to develop metacognition \rightarrow tracking thoughts and emotions without engaging in them impulsively.

Results

Decreased impulsivity and improved ability to manage emotions.

Control Study's Results

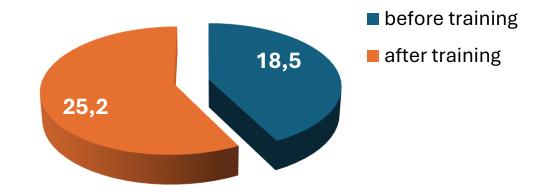
Objective

To evaluate the effectiveness of training in developing self-regulation in adolescents prone to problematic behaviour.

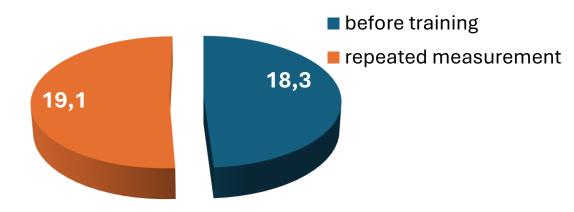
Results

Experimental group: +6.7 points in self-regulation; control group: +0.8 points. Improvement in planning (+1.4), evaluation of results (+1.2), and behavioural flexibility (+1.7).

Changes in self-regulation indicators in adolescents (experimental group) (+6.7)



Changes in self-regulation indicators in adolescents (control group) (+0.8)



Conclusion

Analysis of results

In the experimental group, there is a significant increase in the level of self-regulation - by 6.7 points on average. In the control group, the growth is minimal (+0.8 points), which can be explained by spontaneous development or adaptation.

Conclusions of the control stage

The applied training effectively increases the level of self-regulation in adolescents with a high risk of problematic behaviour.

The training elements contribute to: improving awareness; reducing impulsive reactions; developing sustainable behaviour in stressful situations.

Conclusion on the study

Adolescents prone to problematic behaviour have a reduced ability to self-regulate. Formative training helps to develop key skills of emotional self-control. The control experiment confirmed the effectiveness of the proposed approach.