ABSTRACT

Interpersonal communication in the family is a process of interaction that occurs between parents and children. Guidance and the role of parents is very important in educating and developing the potential of children, including in overcoming addictions to playing online games on children. Referring to the background of this research, the identification of the issues raised is whether interpersonal communication by parents and children overcomes addiction to playing online games in children and how openness, empathy, supportive attitude, positive attitude, and equality of interpersonal communication made by parents in overcome the addiction of playing online games in children. The research method used is a descriptive qualitative approach with a constructivism paradigm. Then, the data needed in the study was obtained through observation in the field, especially interviews with parents, teachers and children as well as collecting documents in the form of photographs. This study uses the theory of interpersonal communication from DeVito which explains that interpersonal communication is communication made by people who already have a close relationship with each other. The results of this study indicate that interpersonal communication, carried out by parents, can overcome addiction to playing online games in children. This is reviewed from five aspects of interpersonal communication namely; openness, empathy, supportive attitude, positive attitude, and equality.

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