ABSTRACT

A Case Study of Sexually Active Girls at a Junior Secondary School

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This is a proposal for a study that will seek to determine how early sexual initiation among adolescent girls impacts on their schooling. Specifically, it will address the following research questions: 1) How does early sexual activity influence students' behaviour? 2) Is the socio-economic status of students a factor in early sexual activity? and 3) How does early sexual initiation among adolescent girls impact on their academic achievement? Data will be collected from three Forms 2 and 3 female students through interviews, and through document analysis. It is hoped that the results of the study would assist in providing an understanding of the relevance and intricacies of the cases, as well as facilitating comprehension of the phenomenon of early sexual activity and its repercussions among adolescent students.

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