

A Research into the Attitudes of Mothers of Twins and Singletons towards Their Children and the Receptive and Expressive Language Levels of Children

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ABSTRACT This research paper investigates attitudes of mothers receptive and expressive language levels of children. The sample includes 200 mothers and 300 children from central districts of Konya. The Family Life and Child Rearing Attitude Questionnaire, Peabody Picture Vocabulary Test and Vocabulary and Language Test were used to collect research data. Independent sample t-tests compared the differences between attitudes of mothers of twins and singletons and the differences between receptive and expressive language levels of twins and singletons. To determine the degree of correlation between the attitudes of mothers and the receptive-expressive language levels of children, Pearson's correlation coefficients were calculated. The results indicated that mothers of twins exhibited more democratic attitudes and behaviours while mothers of singletons imposed stricter discipline. Additionally, a high negative correlation was found between the scores mothers received-for overprotection, rejection of homemaking role and marital conflict and the expressive language scores of children.