

ABSTRACT

The increasing number of single-parent families in Indonesia has a significant impact on communication patterns and emotional relationships between children and parents. Good communication is key in building a sense of closeness and security that plays an important role in the social, emotional, and moral development of children so that this condition questions how interpersonal communication patterns occur with a child in Single parent parents. The purpose of this study is to analyze permissive, pluralistic, protective, prohibitive and laissez faire interpersonal communication patterns between children and single parents. The research location was conducted in Purwakarta City. The method used in this research is qualitative method. Research sources were obtained by conducting in-depth interviews with mothers with single parent status as key informants, children of these mothers as supporting informants and expert informants. The results show that the most dominant communication pattern is the pluralistic pattern with open communication between parents and children, where children are given the freedom to express their opinions and are encouraged to think independently. Permissive patterns, which give full freedom to children without any clear boundaries or directions and protective patterns, which emphasize compliance with family rules without much room for discussion.

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