Maladaptive Behavior Aspects of Mental Retardation Children And its Relationships With Some Variables

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Abstract

This study aimed to identify the maladaptive behavior aspects of mental retardation children and the relation between these aspects and age, sex, and rate of retardation.

The sample used in this study consisted of (133) children, (74) males and(59) females.

The(The American Association On Mental Deficiency, Adaptive Behavior Scale, (AAMD, ABS) was used in this study, which developed by faruk sadk in Egypt. It consisted of (14) maladaptive behavior aspects. The researcher made sure of validity and reliability of the scale.

The results showed that the most significant maladaptive behavior aspects appeared in mental retardation children were: Rebellious Behavior, Hyperactivity, Violent & Destructive Behavior, withdrawal Behavior, Antisocial Behavior.

T- Test showed that there were significant differences between the two sexes in favour of males in: Antisocial Behavior. On the other hand, there were significant differences between sex in the females side for the domain of withdrawal Behavior. But there were no significant differences in the other aspects. Also, there were significant differences between age in favour of group aged (11-14) for these domains: withdrawal Behavior, Antisocial Behavior, Rebellious Behavior, Hyperactivity, self injure Behavior, Abnormal Sexual Behavior, Psychological and disorders Behavior, Use of drug Behavior. There were no significant differences in the other aspects belong: to the age of child.

Also, there were significant differences in all of the maladaptive Behavior aspects in favour of the severe mental retardation. All of the maladaptive Behavior aspects increase with the rate of the increase of degree of retardation .

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