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# Adolescents' attitude towards mate selection

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## **A**BSTRACT

Preparation for the marriage is a major development task of adolescent's year. Mate selection is the foremost important step towards marriage and is greatly influenced by culture, and family background. The present study was conducted to find out attitude of adolescents towards Mate selection and the effect of gender and professional qualification. For this purpose 60 girls and 60 boys respondents were selected randomly from the two reputed institutes of Kanpur city namely of Chandra Shekhar Azad University of Agriculture and Technology and Harcourt Butler Technological Institute. The investigation reveals that most of the girls as well as boys wanted that their mate should be well educated, should have the good sense of humor, faithful, good looking and fashionable; girls also give the emphasis to the sense of humor and age factor. And the  $\chi^2$  values between boys and girls were found to be significant at .05 per cent level of significance in Q.No. 1,3,10, 16 related to the well educated (5.217), same profession (4.524), 1-2 years age gap (5.502), faithfulness (5.925) and at 1 per cent level of significance in Sense of humor (11.641).