

Peer Review Report

Review Report on Impact of the War in Ukraine on the Ability of Children to Recognize Basic Emotions

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EVALUATION

Q 1 Please summarize the main findings of the study.

An increased sense of threat and war memories do not weaken the accuracy of identifying fear and this type of emotions among children who experienced the war in Ukraine.

Q 2 Please highlight the limitations and strengths.

The author uses terms describing various phenomena on the border of psychology and sociology quite well. This is definitely the strong point of the article. A slight disadvantage is the methodological background of this article, but it is natural in works of this type.

Q 3 Please provide your detailed review report to the authors. The editors prefer to receive your review structured in major and minor comments. Please consider in your review the methods (statistical methods valid and correctly applied (e.g. sample size, choice of test), is the study replicable based on the method description?), results, data interpretation and references. If there are any objective errors, or if the conclusions are not supported, you should detail your concerns.

The work meets the basic methodological requirements for scientific articles. This applies to both the language and the conceptual sphere, which is so established that it does not require many repetitions of terms and definitions. The structure of the work should be considered rational in the methodological sense, at least due to the adopted division of content. The work's content and title are semantically adequate. Its content is reflected in its title and is part of the continuation of the paradigm of shaping the analyzed scientific discipline. This is a substantively correct penetration that accurately outlines the panorama. Such a methodologically accurate panorama, by its nature, takes into account the latest state of research, which involves its deepening, broadening, thickening and practicalization. The method of approaching the topic used in this work is exceptionally topical. The added value of the reviewed work is the accessible language of scientific discourse and the extremely extensive literature. The work brings new values to the analyzed issues. There were no borrowings that could constitute grounds for doubting the author's works. The work is certainly an independent, original study. The adopted methodology and the use of a number of research methods, including: critical analysis of the literature on the subject, desk research and analysis, synthesis and deduction indicate the rich methodological skills of the author of the work. Using these methods, she solved the research problem. The topicality of the issue and its broad approach, as well as the adopted perspective, result in a positive assessment of both the substantive and methodological side of the reviewed work.

PLEASE COMMENT

Q 4 Is the title appropriate, concise, attractive?

I have no objections to the title of the work.

Q 5 Are the keywords appropriate?

I have no objections to the keywords of the work.

Q 6 Is the English language of sufficient quality?

I have no objections to the quality of the English used in the work.

Q 7 Is the quality of the figures and tables satisfactory?

Yes.

Q 8 Does the reference list cover the relevant literature adequately and in an unbiased manner?)

I have no objections to the quality of the bibliography used in the work.

QUALITY ASSESSMENT

Q 9 Originality

☒☒☒☒☐

Q 10 Rigor

☒☒☒☒☒

Q 11 Significance to the field

☒☒☒☐☐

Q 12 Interest to a general audience

☒☒☒☐☐

Q 13 Quality of the writing

☒☒☒☒☐

Q 14 Overall scientific quality of the study

☒☒☒☐☐

REVISION LEVEL

Q 15 Please make a recommendation based on your comments:

Accept.