

Inductive discipline involves reasoning, the communication of behavioral standards, emphasis on the intentions behind behaviors, and consequences [1]

It promotes better perspective taking and more moral behavior [2]

Children and adolescents perceive inductive discipline as an effective parental response to moral transgressions (harming others) [3][4][5]

Its effectiveness for prudential issues (risky behaviors) is unknown

Youth engagement in problem behavior is associated with the rejection of parental authority over risky behavior, and less positive evaluations of inductive discipline in bullying situations [4]

$n = 85$  undergraduate students

Age = 20, 77.6% female

Participants read 1 of 5 hypothetical vignettes and reflected on how effective inductive discipline would have been at reducing a similar behavior again (in high school); they also reported their prior and current levels of problem behavior.

Prudential Scenarios:

- 1.) Smoked weed (marijuana)
- 2.) Had unprotected sex
- 3.) Drove a friend's car without a license
- 4.) Drank alcohol at a party
- 5.) Tried vaping

Example of Parental Induction in Response to Vaping:

Okay, but I'm really disappointed in your behavior.

Vaping is just as addictive as cigarettes and can cause all sorts of health problems. Why would you risk forming such a bad habit? I know you can make better choices. Why did you try vaping?

Example of the Effectiveness Item:

"Think about how that response would have made you ACT. Would it have made you more or less likely to...vape again in the future?"

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