

## Abstract

The study examined how the age of child, social class and maternal education were related to the child-rearing beliefs of parents in Hong Kong. 312 parents of preschool-age children were recruited and completed the questionnaire regarding their child-rearing beliefs and values. Results in the study indicated that the three factors related to different aspects of beliefs. The age of child was found to be related to the way parents used to praise the child. Moreover, social class differences were found in the child-rearing goals and the ways of praising the child. Finally, parents with different maternal education were found to rely on different sources of information on parenting.