

Abstract

This study examined the relations of temperament and parenting to social behavior problems. It was hypothesized that behavioral inhibition and parenting styles uniquely contributed to social behavioral problems. Different parenting styles were associated with social behavior problems. Behavioral inhibition was associated with different social behavior problems. A total of 96 fifth and six graders and their mothers filled in structured questionnaires separately. Results of hierarchical regression analyses provided partial support to the hypotheses. Behavioral inhibition and parenting styles uniquely contributed to hyperactivity behaviors only. The model did not significantly predict externalizing and internalizing problems.