

Abstract

Title of the Study: "Group Activities and Alleviating the Negative Effects of Pioneers Groups' Misuse of Internet".

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Problem of the Study: This era has witnessed many scientific advances in the means of communication technology in general, and the internet in particular, which led to the ease of communication between communities and peoples, bringing the whole world to be as a small village of increased communication, relationships and interactions; and exchange of ideas, information and cultures with ease and speed. The enormous development of internet network provided the ability to get facts and information very quickly. This network has become of multiple benefits in all scientific, cultural, social, artistic, religious, and economic fields.

The use of internet has increased and is spread in houses, cafes, organizations, and institutions because of its ease, speed, and cheapness. Risk here is increasing demand for adolescents and pioneers groups on the internet. They have become clinging to the internet and using it for long hours, because it is attractive. Accordingly the internet use become as an addiction, especially in access banned sites, which may affect youth's values, habits, culture, which led to poor social relationships, low academic levels, and spread of negative and immoral behaviors that are incompatible with society's traditions and culture.

Hence, the importance of group activities becomes obvious as an attempt to attract adolescents of pioneer groups. These activities attract their attention because of their variety. Accordingly, we should pay more attention to these activities and try to develop and improve them under wise and aware leaderships with skills in dealing with nature and characteristics of this category of youth. In addition, these activities are very important in developing personality; and achieving social and psychological maturity, in a way that guarantee protecting the youth pioneers from misuse of the internet; and achieving secure use of the internet, so that it can be used for developing their skills, hobbies, abilities, and knowledge positively.

Type and Methodology of the Study:

The study belongs to the quasi-experimental studies designed to verify the relationship between collective activities and mitigation of negative effects of internet misuse by youth pioneers. These effects can be determined as the following:

- a. Poor social relations,

- b. The moral and behavioral deviations,
- c. The negative impact on the academic study (neglect of studying).

Tools of the Study:

- Measure of the negative effects of misuse of the internet,
- Observation guide youth pioneers,
- Individual and group interviews.

Results of the Study:

The study proved verification of main hypothesis of the study, that there is a statistically significant and positive relationship between group activities and mitigation of negative effects on the misuse of the internet by youth pioneers.

The study also proved the truth of the following sub-hypotheses:

- 1- There is a positive relationship of statistical significance between group activities and enhancing social relationships.
- 2- There is a positive relationship of statistical significance between group activities and mitigation of moral and behavioral deviations.
- 3- There is a positive relationship of statistical significance between group activities and mitigation of negative impact on academic studying.