

# Relationship between Affiliation motive and Social anxiety in adolescents

From analysis of stories written on TAT

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## Abstract

The purpose of this study was to examine Adolescent's mentality regarding human relations based on two measures; Affiliation motive (Interpersonal orientation) and Social anxiety.

To examine how these attributes affect personal relations among adolescents, I conducted an original questionnaire on affiliation motive and social anxiety which included three TAT cards.

As a result, the correlation between Interpersonal orientation and social anxiety was not significant ( $r=.106(n.s.)$ ). However, eight pairs of inferior measures had significant correlations. All effective samples were classified into four clusters according to the combination of levels (high or low) of scores for the two measures. Finally, 118 series of three TAT stories were classified and totaled. Analysis of the table of totaled samples revealed four significant biases in one classify table of TAT stories ( $\chi^2(12)= 30.150, p<.01$ ).

Based on result of TAT story classification, characteristics of four clusters were described. From the tendencies of four clusters on personal relations, the core consideration of this study was founded; namely, when high Social anxiety is combined with low Interpersonal orientation, the temperament which forces the individual into a serious situation develops.