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Corporal Punishment: Coping Strategies Adopted by the Adolescents

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ABSTRACT The study aimed to find out the coping strategies adopted by the adolescents to combat corporal punishment at school. A sample of 200 adolescents both boys and girls (12-16 years) from coeducational Government Senior Secondary Schools of Ludhiana city was studied. Data were collected using Personal Information Sheet, a self structured Interview schedule relating to corporal punishment and coping strategies adopted by the adolescents. Eighty one per cent of the adolescents reported to have experienced varying intensities of corporal punishment at school; 9.50 per cent of them suffered severe punishment. Adolescents adopted various coping strategies to combat punishment by the teachers at school.