Peer Victimization in Schools: Response from Botswana

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ABSTRACT This study made an investigation of the nature of peer victimization and its causes and effects on its victims. The investigation was carried out in six primary and twelve secondary schools in Botswana using questionnaires and interviews on a randomly selected group of teachers and students. The study concluded that peer victimization is very prevalent in schools and that boys are the worst perpetrators and they do it more on girls than on other boys.

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