

Moral Education of the Child: Whose Responsibility?

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ABSTRACT This paper examines the moral education of the child with a critical attention paid to the allocation of responsibility. The paper tried to answer the question: 'Who gives the child his moral education, is it a collective responsibility or the sole responsibility of an institution'? After the examination of some theories of moral development, attempt was made to examine the various institutions that interact with the child as regards his moral education. Suggestions were made on how these institutions should interact in order to give the child moral education and a conclusion was drawn that; the moral education of the child is not the sole responsibility of just an institution, rather, different social institutions must co-operate and effectively interact in order to give the child a meaningful moral education.