




Cultural Influences on Perceptions of Parenthood and Family Life

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1. Round 1

1.1. Reviewer 1

Reviewer:

The reference to Baldwin (2017) could benefit from a brief summary of the key findings of the study to contextualize its relevance to the current research.

The study by Dor and Cohen-Fridel (2009) is mentioned without sufficient context. Describe the key differences found between Jewish and Arab emerging adults to highlight the impact of cultural narratives on perceptions of parenthood.

The demographic characteristics of the participants are listed but not analyzed. Discuss how these demographics may influence the findings and whether they represent the broader population under study.

"Rituals and Celebrations": Provide more specific examples of the rituals and celebrations mentioned by participants to illustrate their significance and diversity.

The statement "The findings highlighted that cultural traditions significantly influence family roles and responsibilities" is repetitive. Rephrase and provide deeper insights into how these traditions shape specific parenting behaviors.

The reference to Beneke and Cheatham (2015) would benefit from a discussion on how their findings on family-professional partnerships relate to the cultural practices observed in this study.

When discussing religious beliefs, include a comparative analysis of different faith-based practices mentioned by participants. This will enhance the understanding of how diverse religious contexts influence parenting.

The discussion on parenting styles should address potential cultural biases in categorizing these styles. Consider whether these categories accurately reflect the cultural contexts of the participants.

Expand on the findings related to education priorities. Discuss how cultural values shape the emphasis on academic achievement versus holistic development.

The analysis of work-life balance should incorporate specific examples of how cultural expectations influence parents' ability to balance these responsibilities.

The section on integration into society could benefit from a deeper exploration of specific acculturation strategies used by participants. Discuss the success and challenges of these strategies.

Authors revised the manuscript.

1.2. Reviewer 2

Reviewer:

The description of the qualitative research design should specify why this approach was chosen over quantitative methods. Highlight the unique insights that qualitative data can provide in the context of cultural studies on parenthood.

The sampling method should be described in more detail. Explain how community centers, cultural organizations, and social media platforms were utilized to ensure a diverse participant pool.

Clarify the rationale behind using theoretical saturation as the criterion for sample size determination. How was it ensured that no new themes were emerging?

The table summarizing the results of the qualitative analysis lacks detailed descriptions of each concept. Provide brief explanations or examples for terms like "Heritage preservation" and "Holistic development."

The discussion on intergenerational conflict should include more participant quotes to illustrate the nature of these conflicts and how they are resolved.

The economic pressures section needs to differentiate between the types of financial stress experienced by participants from different cultural backgrounds.

The section on access to resources should address systemic barriers that disproportionately affect certain cultural groups. Provide recommendations for policy changes to mitigate these barriers.

The concluding remarks should not only summarize the findings but also propose specific areas for future research. Consider suggesting longitudinal studies to observe the evolution of cultural influences on parenthood over time.

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