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| **Topic** | **Research question** | **Hypothesis** |
| Birth order | Does birth order (being first, middle, or last born in a family) affect an individual’s personality? | First born children have more outgoing personality traits than second or third born children in the same family. |
| Alcohol use among teens | What are the main influences affecting a teen to consume alcohol? | Alcohol use is directly related to peer and media pressure |
| Sexual activity in teens and the connection to academic achievement and motivation | Are teens who are sexually active more or less motivated to achieve in their academics? | Sexual activity in teens negatively affects academic achievement and motivation |
| Comparing the achievement of children who have been cared for at a child care centre versus children who were cared for by a parent in the home | If both parents work fulltime out of the home does this affect the children in the long run? | Children cared for in a childcare facility from age 1 onward have greater success in school. |
| Desired traits in potential mate | Does gender have an impact on the qualities or traits one looks for in a future spouse? | Gender does affect the traits one looks for in a future spouse. |
| Factors leading to teen delinquency | What leads teens down the path of deviant behaviour? | Lack of support systems in a teen’s life leads to teen delinquency |
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