Abstract

In this paper I present the results of a research conducted in Manizales (Colombia) between 2009 and 2010, on the affectionate binding experiences of transgressor teenagers. Theoretically the study is based on John Bowlby’s attachment theories. Epistemologically it is based on a constructionist perspective which indicates that bonding is constructed by social interaction and daily experiences. From the methodological point of view, this is a hermeneutic research in which three categories emerge: Bonding with the Place, mediated by Territorial Mobility; Parental Bonding: Paradox of Detachment and Affective Roots; and Bonding with others. What is flexible create bonds.

Keywords

Affective bonding, transgressor teenager, parental figures, territory.