

ANNOTATION

The aim of this thesis is to illustrate the developmental changes of Gypsy teenagers. It describes the influences caused by the majority society and typical traits of Gypsies. The first part targets the origin of Gypsies. The historical background affecting the social status of Gypsies is defined as well as the attitudes of the majority society to the Gypsy community. In both theoretical and practical terms, the paper targets the interaction of the majority society and the Gypsy minority considering their sociocultural differences. Based on the qualitative research the thesis introduces the objective outcomes reflecting the coexistence of Gypsies and the majority society.