

ABSTRACT

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The work followed the specifics of the educational work between 2-3 years of age in an ordinary preschool. The theoretical part is based on developmental psychological characteristics of this period. It monitored the impact of early interactions mother - child, influence of family environment and other factors affecting the child's separation from the mother and the subsequent adaptation and socialization in a preschool environment.

The survey includes six case studies of selected two-year old children (position of the child), 24 selected parents of preschool children within one preschool (parents' position) and 51 preschools (teacher's position). The research followed the specific impact of key factors influencing the course of adaptation and socialization of a child under 3 years of age in a preschool environment, including the anticipated impact of key chronological age. In addition, it monitored and defined the conditions of preschools in the legislative, organizational and personnel conditions, and when their fulfillment can be considered suitable for education of a child under 3 years in a preschool environment.

Conclusion of the thesis contains recommendations on stimulating the development of a child under 3 years in the family environment and in the preschool environment, including author's own suggestion of a suitable adaptation program.