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The bachelor thesis concerns with sibling relationships between children growing up in the same family during childhood, adolescence and early adulthood. Particular emphasis is placed on the distinctive characteristics of the interactions between siblings, such as warmth and closeness, relative status and power, conflict and rivalry, and their impact on the perceived quality of the bond between brothers and sisters and the functioning of the relationships outside the family. Presented proposal of the empirical investigation is a quantitative replication study focused on a different perception of the parental treatment toward siblings, which is interpreted in the light of the experience of rivalry and jealousy between brothers and sisters.