EDUCATION ON EARLY MARRIAGE PREVENTION FOR ADOLESCENTS USING A BOOKLET

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SUMMARY

Background: *Early marriage remains a significant issue among adolescents and can have impacts on physical and psychological health, education, social life, and economic conditions. Limited knowledge about its causes, consequences, and prevention highlights the need for an engaging and easy-to-understand educational medium.* ***Objective:*** *To develop a Communication, Information, and Education (CIE) medium in the form of the CERDAS booklet (*Prevent Early Marriage, Achieve Aspirations and Success*) to increase adolescents' knowledge and awareness of early marriage prevention.* ***Methods:*** *The booklet was developed using the CANVA application through three stages: pre-production, including a literature review, needs identification, determination of objectives and target audience, material selection, and design concept development; production, including material preparation, design, editing, and revision; and post-production, involving a trial with three adolescents aged 16–17 years to obtain feedback.* ***Results:*** *The CERDAS booklet was successfully developed, containing information and practical guidance on preventing early marriage as a CIE medium for adolescents.* ***Conclusion:*** *The CERDAS booklet can be used as a CIE medium to support improvements in adolescents' knowledge and awareness regarding early marriage prevention, future planning, and appropriate decision-making concerning marriage.*

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