

Review of: "Exploring Perceptions on Sexual Empowerment Among Heterosexual Black Women in Braamfontein, Johannesburg"

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REPORT OF ARTICLE REVIEW

Title: Exploring perceptions on sexual empowerment among heterosexual black women in Braamfontein, Johannesburg.

In my opinion, generally, this article is well written by the authors in terms of grammar and construction of the English language. However, I have a few comments arranged according to the sub-headings of the manuscript for the authors to consider.

1. **Abstract:** Include one or two sentences at the beginning to present the problem or background of the study.

2. **Introduction:**

- a. Line 8- HIV/AIDS should all be in capital letters.
- b. Line 18 – The expression “with South Africa being one of the unequal countries in gender” needs revision, i.e., “.....one of the countries with gender inequality.”
- c. The Introduction should be broken into 2 paragraphs.

3. **Problem Statement:**

- a. Lines 2 – To make this sentence clearer, please indicate some of the inequalities in South African societies that make it unequal.

4. **Significance of the study:**

- a. Line 1 – In “Africain”..spelling.
- b. Line 5 – Insert a space between ongoing and debate.

5. **Literature Review:**

- a. **Culture** – lines 6-7, patriarchal practicesremove “a.”
- b. Payment of lobola – Can you explain what lobola means? And line 13, what is Stats SA? Please explain this.

6. **Methodology:**

- a. **Research approach and design**- The last two sentences in the first paragraph seem repeated Consider removal.
- b. The second paragraph under **Population, sample and sampling technique** –should rather be **data collection technique**.

7. Results/Findings:

- a. Since the study is qualitative, I think the authors can use only **findings** instead of Results/Findings.
- b. **Under gender norms relating to sexuality** – the first quotation should be linked to a participant responding as such.
- c. **Under social media** –line 9, insert a comma between (Lamb and 2010).
- d. **Under sexuality education** –line 1 should read...“Religion has been found as key.”

8. Reference List:

- a. It appears the authors used APA Style. If so, the subsequent lines of the references should be indented.

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