Review of: "Young love in contemporary China: Attitudes and behaviors in romantic relationships"

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This manuscript is very interesting as it addresses “Young love in contemporary China: Attitudes and behaviors in romantic relationships” which analyzes choices, establishing relationships. Here are some observations:

1. The abstract is extensive, it could be more summarized, it lacked objectivity.

2. In the introduction, there is an unnecessary story about dating in China, I recommend that you enter the main objective of the study. From this paragraph the text is more interesting: To the best of our knowledge, the attitude and behavior of Chinese youths when initiating dating and relationships is an area that.... Still, it is not clear the statement: “It appears that China is following the general global, or at least regional, trend in the commodification of sex”. The introduction needs to be more concise, it is long with a historical context that is not necessary. I recommend more objectivity and attention only to the object of study. The study presents five research questions, could narrow and focus on attitudes, preference and time in relation to dating.

3. The method is well outlined

4. Results: It suggests organizing the results to consolidate in a few tables, mainly the profile information.

5. The discussion needs greater articulation with the central theoretical bases on choices, attitudes.