

# Review of: "Assessment, Benefits and factors that affect Guidance, Counselling Services in Secondary Schools in Owo Local Government, Ondo State."

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## Comments to the authors

### Introduction

The Introduction is too long. The authors could present the literature review through summaries pointing out what is most common in the research findings on the studied theme (e.g., through a table).

Provide a more detailed description of Nigerian culture, especially regarding the cultural aspects.

Studies with the same theme investigated in the present manuscript or related ones from the last five years were not included in the literature review. Moreover, the literature review is very Nigeria-focused, and there is a need to expand dialogue with international literature. Try to foster international interest in the manuscript. Expand, update, and supplement the literature review.

Provide a better justification for the proposed hypothesis.

Although there is a conceptual basis, it should present thoroughly. Moreover, it is not used in the discussion of the data.

### Method

Detailed explain the developing process of the questionnaire created, how it has been used in practice (procedures), and how its effectiveness based on its goals has been assessed.

Briefly describe how the regional specificities of the schools studied (variables) were controlled and discussed in the results.

Provide a more detailed description of Nigerian culture, especially regarding the cultural aspects. Moreover, presenting a brief description of the education system in Nigeria and the context of the schools studied is also necessary. Without this sociocultural and educational contextualization, the study may reach mistaken conclusions.

## Results

There are too many tables. It is necessary to reduce the number of tables and present part of the information in the text body.

The study is more descriptive than explanatory. Include some discussions and analytical hypotheses to make the manuscript more explanatory, improving its quality and relevance.

It would be important to broaden the discussion by making more inferences about the possibilities of findings in Nigeria to be extended to other contexts.

Several statements made in the practical implications' subsection are not directly substantiated by the research findings.