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Family is the smallest social unit in society. In the family consists of the head

of the family and family members, including the father, mother and child. Members in

the nuclear family are not only parents and children who have biological

relationships, but the nuclear family also includes parents with adopted children or

stepchildren. This study aims to find out how interpersonal communication between

stepparents and stepchildren in trust building, using the theory of trust building by

Deutsch and Coleman. The research method used in this study is descriptive

qualitative with the constructivism paradigm. Based on the results of this study, every

family has different ways for trust building. However, the actual experience who

repeated between stepparents and stepchildren has effect for created interpersonal

trust.

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