

INVESTIGATING COLLEGE STUDENTS' READERSHIP ATTITUDE TOWARDS PROSE FICTION IN THE COLLECTION OF GANI BELO LIBRARY, ABEOKUTA

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ABSTRACT

This study focuses on readership attitude of students in the Federal College of Education, Abeokuta. A total of 500 copies of the questionnaire were administered to sampled students-users of the College Library, school by school. 480 copies were returned and analyzed. The analysis showed that male students used the prose narrative texts more than the females. Ironically, these male students only used such for class assignments. Majority of the users visit the library to read Newspapers and borrow the available prescribed lecture texts for general study in English. Only few readers claimed to have used prose fictions within the library collection for pleasure. Recommendations were made on how to improve the student's readership habits through the provision of valuable and popular fictions for the use of the readers by the College and departmental libraries.