



TITLE: Exploring Tween Girls and ‘Adultification’ in Singapore

Author/s: Bernice Loh

Affiliation/s: Monash University

This paper seeks to outline why scholars interested in the sexual landscapes of children’s and young people’s lives should be keen to explore and address the appearance of tween girls who are dressing in more ‘adultlike’ ways in Singapore. In critically developing some of the themes/concepts that can contribute to or aid in our understanding of an ‘adultification’ of tween girls’ dressing, this paper elucidates why Singapore is a worthwhile site of inquiry, and how some previously unexplored questions for research within this context can make a valuable contribution to discourses pertaining to an ‘adultification’ of tween girls.