



## To study scholastic achievement of secondary school students in relation to their gender.

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**Abstract :** Scholastic achievement may be defined as competence of students shown in the school subjects for whom they have taken instructions. The test scores marks grades assigned to the students on the basis of their performance in the achievement test determine the status of pupils in the classroom. According to oxford advanced learner's dictionary (2000): Achievement is the thing that somebody has done successfully, especially using his/her own efforts and skills. Singh (2002) defined achievement as accomplishment of specific objectives, past performance and what analysis individual or organization has accomplished in the past in contrast with ability which refers to what analysis or organization can do now in present or in future. In Webster' dictionary (2002) it is stated that "Achievement means to bring to a successful end or performance"

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### Significance Of Scholastic Achievement

Present age is achievement oriented age. In the entire field the scholastic achievement is seen firstly. The students who have good scholastic achievement are given priority for admissions. Moreover when there is a need to recruit candidate in any certain field for job then scholastic achievement is considered. That is why parents, teacher and administration want the student to get good marks in their examination and for this purpose they create such kind of environment in which student can fulfill this goal.

So generally it is seen that the student, who is good in his scholastic, adjust in his life earlier. So this thing should be kept in mind that the scholastic achievement of the students is given proper attention.

The word 'scholastic; has been derived from 'academy' which means the school where special types of instructions are imparted. The term scholastic means institutional system of formal education in school, college and university. So scholastic means any activity or action that is scholastic in nature. So we can say that scholastic means:

- Belonging or relating to a place or learning e.g. a college, university or academy.
- Rather than applied, technical and professional study.

Achievement signifies accomplishment of performance carried out successfully. It is the accomplishment or proficiency of performance in a given skills or body of knowledge.