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Table 3 Latent Growth Curve Parameters for Children's Externalizing Problems from Grade 1 to 6 by Attachment, Gender and Risk

	Regressions of Growth Parameters on Attachment and Risk									
	Intercept			Linear			Quadratic			
	B	eta	p	B	eta	p	B	β	p	
	Attachment Main Effects									
A	2.428	0.127	0.001	-0.961	-0.092	0.063	0.139	0.060	0.167	
C	-0.013	-0.001	0.988	-0.550	-0.043	0.383	0.103	0.037	0.407	
D	0.832	0.041	0.233	-0.760	-0.068	0.119	0.223	0.090	0.019	
	Interactive Models ^a									
	Males									
Risk	2.646	0.391	< 0.0001	0.784	0.212	0.006	-0.120	-0.147	0.038	
A	1.415	0.074	0.212	-1.055	-0.102	0.220	0.130	0.057	0.449	
C	-1.303	-0.056	0.338	0.203	0.016	0.845	0.049	0.017	0.815	
D	0.611	0.030	0.612	0.209	0.019	0.820	-0.004	-0.002	0.982	
A x risk	-0.656	-0.041	0.472	-0.001	0.000	0.997	0.377	0.193	0.027	
C x risk	-2.010	-0.079	0.107	0.850	0.061	0.045	0.174	0.056	0.497	
D x risk	1.430	0.083	0.129	1.208	0.127	< 0.0001	-0.139	-0.066	0.440	
	Females									
Risk	1.519	0.261	0.000	0.547	0.200	0.012	-0.107	-0.215	0.011	
A	2.028	0.107	0.032	-1.216	-0.137	0.061	0.197	0.121	0.118	
C	1.068	0.047	0.355	-0.855	-0.080	0.276	0.125	0.064	0.417	
D	0.116	0.007	0.888	-1.341	-0.177	0.019	0.350	0.252	0.002	
A x risk	-0.092	-0.006	0.892	0.225	0.034	0.155	-0.109	-0.090	0.340	
C x risk	-0.776	-0.033	0.494	0.060	0.005	0.824	0.145	0.072	0.457	
D x risk	-0.455	-0.033	0.504	0.174	0.027	0.283	0.095	0.080	0.418	

Note: Attachment categories were dummy variable coded (reference category=Secure). A = Avoidant versus Secure; C = Resistant versus Secure; D = Disorganized versus Secure.

^aFor each gender, interaction terms were added to the model in 3 sequential blocks, regressed on the intercept first, then linear and quadratic slope respectively.