

MOBAQ-LUX8 – ELABORATION OF COMPETENCE-ORIENTED TEST ITEMS FOR 8YEAR-OLD LUXEMBOURGISH STUDENTS

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Introduction

The University of Luxembourg conducts the project of Basic Motor Qualifications (MOBAQ) in order to gather more information on the motor status and potential deficiencies of young students at the age of 8 years. The MOBAQ-concept is an innovative competence oriented concept to evaluate basic motor qualifications of students permitting PE teachers to foster students individually.

Aims of the project

The first step of the project is to elaborate competence-oriented test items according to the MOBAQ-approach (Kurz & Fritz, 2007) and according to quality criteria of standardized tests. A next step is to use the test battery in a project phase to establish a diagnosis for pedagogical purposes in several school classes of the class level 3 in elementary school in Luxembourg.

Theoretical background

In opposition to usual approaches based on abilities and the statistical legitimating of minimal standards, the MOBAQ-approach fixes normatively basic motor qualifications as minimal requirements for students to be able to participate in the movement culture. In accordance to the MOBAQ-approach, a basic motor qualification can be described as a motor task that (1) is sufficiently complex; (2) is related to a specific context or domain, and (3) can be codified in a binary way.

Research findings

First, MOBAQ-test-items in accordance to classical test-criteria will be developed. Secondly, results of the use of MOBAQ-test-batteries will deliver results about the basic motor qualifications of Luxembourgish students and their background.

A QUANTITATIVE STUDY OF THE LEISURE ACTIVITIES OF CARAVANNERS

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This paper presents the results of quantitative research focused on leisure and sports activities among a specific target group – caravanners. These people pursue their caravanning activities in their free time and this activity represents a significant and important part of their lifestyle. Caravanning is a re-emerging form of leisure activity which is becoming increasingly more fashionable as recent history has seen a general improvement in the standard of living, making such a choice possible. This form of motor tourism can be examined from the perspective of the issue of sports tourism, as well as an integral element of lifestyle. The paper evaluates the preferred types physical activities pursued by this group of respondents, and examines their preferred destination and season. It also includes an assessment of the general profile of the Czech caravanners from the perspective of the fundamental characteristics of their socio-economic and demographic features.

The last part of the paper is devoted caravanning events - their frequency, types, locations and the ways in which they are organized.