



PUPILS SURVEY - THROUGH LOCAL PROBLEMS TO GLOBAL ENVIRONMENTAL PROBLEMS

Activity 10

AIM: Pupils survey "Through local problems to global env problems"

Methodology

Purpose: Point to urban and local problems of town. Based on pupil's observation, pupils process these problems, discuss environmental issues during lessons and analyze how to eliminate them with connection to global environmental problems.

Target group: pupils

Methods:

1. Theoretical introduction to the problem.
2. Entering the problem.
3. Observation in the field.
4. Problem identification, description of the problem.
5. Draft solution.
6. Presentation of the problem.
7. Discussion and connection.

Solutions:

1. During environmental education lessons, pupils were theoretically familiarised with the concept of urbanism and the definition of urban and local problems.
2. Teacher entered the problem - to find problems in the country, specifically in the town. The pupils processed them in the form of a short report describing the site of the problem, documenting it with photographs, they named maximum three of them, at least one problem pupils meet on the way to / from the school or in their surroundings.
3. Near their residence pupils observed urban problems and processed them in the form of terrestrial and photodocumentation in the afternoon.
4. After identifying the problems, they described them in a paper-based report, used ICT and photographs.
5. Within their capabilities, they solved problems.
6. At the environmental education lessons, they presented their findings with suggestions for solutions.
7. Then the pupils discussed among themselves and also in the groups about identified problems and their solutions. They proposed solutions to the town representatives of the municipal self-government with connection to global environmental problems.

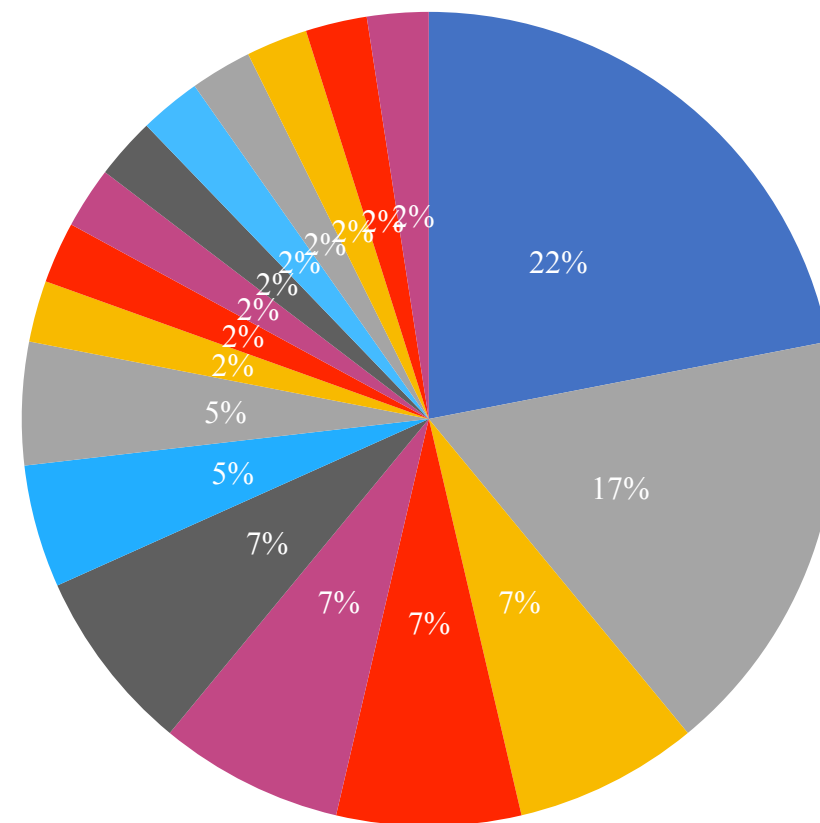
Slovakia – results:

The pupils identified the localities as urban and local problems. Their results were processed into Table 1:

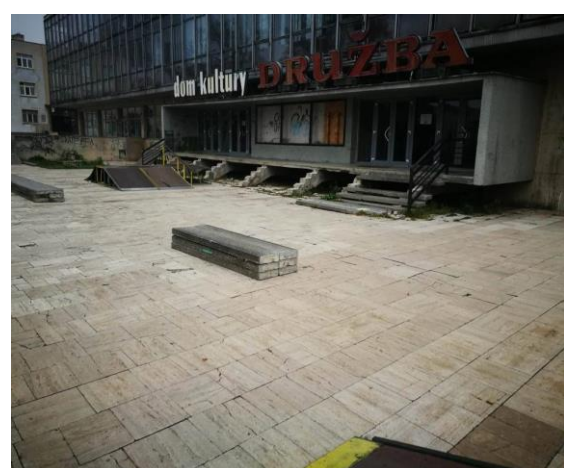
Problem identification	Number of pupils who have noticed the problem
Culture Center Družba-the building dilapidates	9 pupils
Parking (town center, housing)	7 pupils
Ditura - architectural problem in the square	3 pupils
Kaufland Shopping Center - inappropriate placed in the town center	3 pupils
Old Hospital - dilapidates in the wider town center	3 pupils
Open-air theatre – dilapidates	3 pupils
The green on the square - the lack of flowers	2 pupils
Walking on the green areas, lawns, lack of green areas care and playgrounds	2 pupils
Mlyn „ Mill“- unfinished building in the town center	1 pupil
Hotel Astrum - architectural problem in the square	1 pupil
The brickyard – the dilapidating company in the Vinohrady housing estate	1 pupil
Swimming pool – dilapidates in town	1 pupil
Not completed building of nursery school in the Rybníky housing estate – dilapidates	1 pupil
More dumps, waste problem	1 pupil
Bakery - stores	1 pupil
Vinohrady housing estate – missing sports area	1 pupil
Condition of local roads, streets	1 pupil

Graph 1: Identification of local and urban problems of the town Levice – multiplicity

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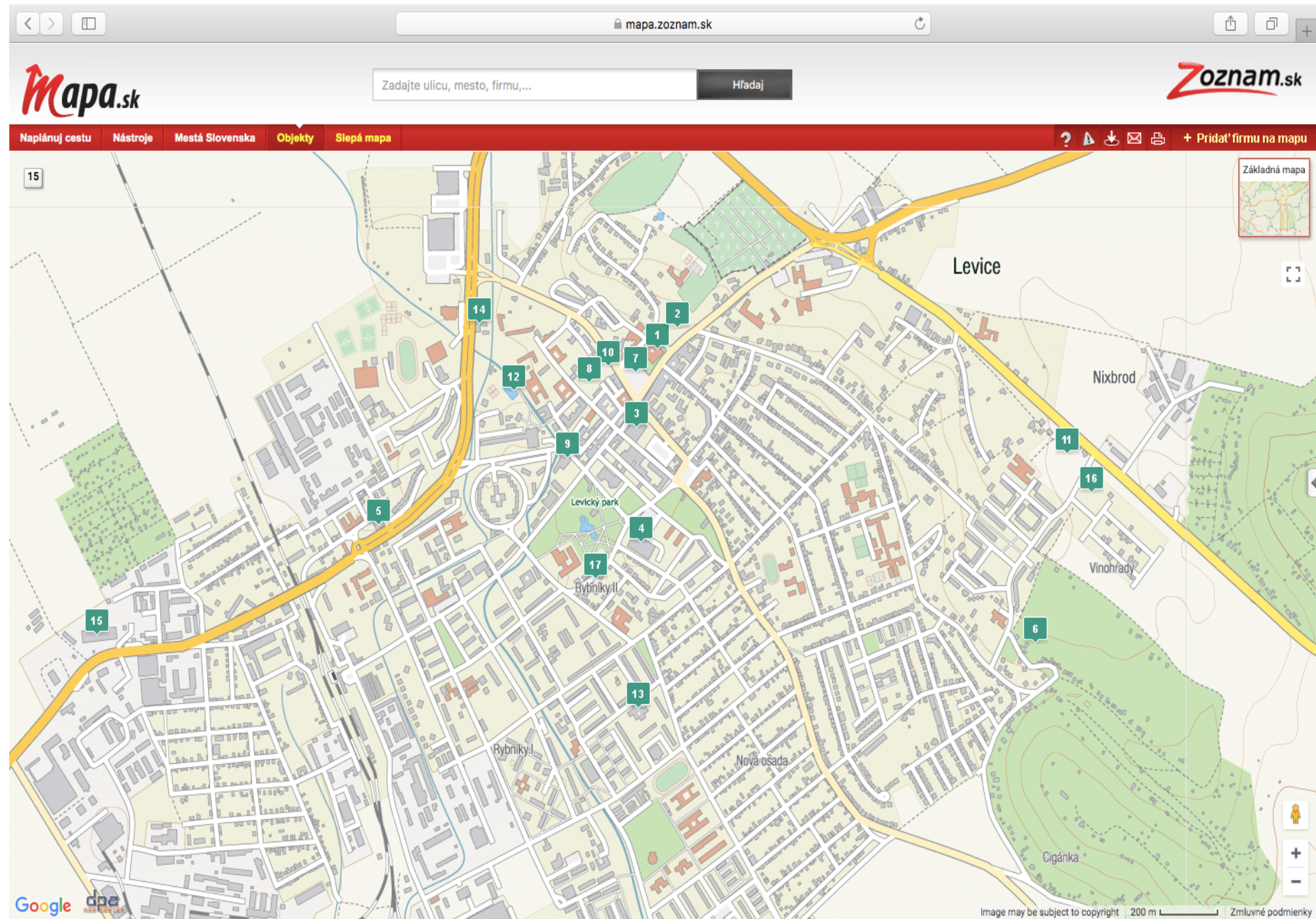
- Kultúrne centrum Družba - chátka v centre mesta
- Parkovanie (centrum mesta, sídliská)
- Ditura - architektonický problém na námestí
- Nákupné centrum Kaufland - nevhodné umiestnené do centra mesta
- Stará Nemocnica - chátka v širšom centre mesta
- Amfiteáter - chátka
- Zeleň na námestí - nedostatok kvetov
- Chodenie po zelených plochách, trávnikoch, malá starostlivosť o zeleň a detské ihriská
- Mlyn - nedokončená stavba v centre mesta
- Hotel Astrum - architektonický problém na námestí
- Tehelňa - chátrajúca firma na sídlisku Vinohrady
- Mestské kúpalisko - chátka v centre mesta
- Nedostavaná materská škola na sídlisku Rybníky - chátka
- Čierne skládky, problém s odpadom
- Pekáreň - sklady, chátka
- Sídlisko Vinohrady - chýbajúca športová zóna
- Stav miestnych komunikácií



The pupils photos of the year 9

The map of localities selected by pupils - urban and local problems of the town Levice

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Results, summary

On the basis of theoretical introduction the pupils of 9th grade identified urban problems and local urban area of Levice. Together they identified 17 problems. The biggest problem was the cultural center Družba and the second biggest problem was parking in the town. Other problems were dilapidated buildings: an old hospital, an amphitheater, an undergraduate school, a town swimming pool, Brickyard, the lack of greenery, black dumps, architecturally inappropriate buildings in the town center - shopping center Dituria, Kaufland, hotel Astrum or unfinished Mill. Besides identification and a photo documentation, pupils described the problems and suggested possible solutions to the problems, reconstruction or complete demolition of buildings or rebuilding new more useful places with using the European funds. The pupils had discussions about possible solutions and they were also faced with Levice's town hall suggestions for solutions. All the problems were highlighted in the map. On the basis of the discussions, they decided to inform their representatives - the youth parliament and through the representatives of the pupils of our elementary school - to open discussion with local authorities and elected representatives of the town about the urban and local problems of Levice.





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