

This bachelor thesis is dealing with education of children who are in the first grade of the basic school (7, 8, 9, and 10 years of age), namely with the education of the brownies and cub scouts in the "Junák - Association of Scouts and Guides of the Czech Republic". The thesis describes the intellectual background, principles, aims, educational system and methods used in the above mentioned organization. The thesis also deals with the general problems of free-time education and shows specific approaches applied within the scout movement, namely it compares the activities done within the scout organization with other free-time activities available to children. An important part of the thesis is a methodological research based on the questionnaires. Its main target was to analyze the position of scouting among different free-time activities. The research was aimed at the parents of brownies and cub scouts from the scout centre "Čejka" in Veselí nad Moravou. The reserch showed that among all free-time activities, scouting is the activity which develops a child in the most complex way. However, it cannot compete with the specialized children clubs which are focused on the development of a particular ability. Unfortunately, this conclusion does not have the statistic importance - due to the low return of the questionnaires (only 55%). Nevertheless, the thesis proves the crucial importance of the scouting movement among the other free-time activities for children.