ABSTRACT

Title: Behavioural analysis of a football coach

Objectives: The goal of this master thesis is to qualitatively evaluate means of didactic

interaction of a football coach and his players in youth categories in two league games of the

Czech Youth League (Česká liga žáků) and thereby to contribute to new knowledge in this

field.

Methods: The research is targeted at the behavioural analysis of a football coach. In this

thesis methods of spectating and analysis of audio and video records were carried out. The

essence of the research is based on the method of the Analysis of didactic interaction (ADI)

consisting of 9 categories containing several subcategories. The categories 1 and 4, those

which are dedicated to the forms of behaviour, were applied in this thesis.

Results: From the results of the analysis it seems obvious that the coach was prevailingly

relying on his speeches which he seldomly supported and emphasized with his movement.

The movement itself we acknowledge as gestures linked to orders related to game activities

during the football game. From the analyzed records of parts of the games the following can

be concluded: In the pre-game preparations the instructions with corrections prevail, which is

also the case during the game, where spectating is being present to a large extent as well. On

the contrary, the half time break was filled with feedbacks to the largest extent. The coach's

ways of behavior in the two games did not differ significantly.

Keywords: coach, coaching, game performance, behavior, analysis of didactic interaction