

Abstract

The thesis discusses the possibilities of using mass media, especially print (magazines and newspapers), radio, television and the internet- in leisure time of children ages 9 to 15 years. The aim of this thesis is to highlight the appropriate ways to use the media, positive and negative effects of some media (television, the internet) and ways to solve excessive use of these media.

The first chapter is focused on definition of basic terms- children ages 9 to 15 years, media, leisure time.

The second chapter discusses the possibilities, ways and problems of usage of leisure time by children.

The third chapter focused on the relationship between media and children. I point out the adverse effects of media on children.

Then I deal with the various type of media (print, radio, television, the internet). I analyze their relationship to children, the ways of their usage by children and options that they offer to children. I also highlight the negative effects of some media on children (television, the internet). I try to outline appropriate preventive solutions excessive and inappropriate usage of these media.

The thesis also includes a short research dealing with the relationship between children and the media.