







Developing and promoting search engine literacy in primary education

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Information Literacy

Information literacy is

the ability to understand when information is needed, to seek information efficiently, and evaluate and use information appropriately. It also includes integrating new information with prior knowledge and using it legally, economically, socially, and ethically correct to achieve goals.

Search Literacy

Search literacy is a specific aspect of information literacy. It relates directly to the process of obtaining information and refers to the ability to find and access the desired information to satisfy information needs efficiently and effectively.

Search Engine Literacy

Achieving accurate search results requires **search engine literacy**, which is the knowledge of how search engines work and the following: findability, linguistic functions, query language, and ranking.

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Why Search Engine Literacy in Primary School?

Search Engine Literacy in Primary School



Primary school children mostly use search engines like Google (KIM, 2020; Feil, Gieger & Grobbing, 2013) without knowing or questioning how they work (Le Deuff, 2017).



Lisa, grade 1, words with "G"

Current Policies



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Developing and acquiring the skills needed to live in a digital world goes far beyond the necessary basic knowledge of information technology and affects all subjects. Therefore, they cannot be assigned to an isolated learning area.

KMK, 2016, p. 12

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direct link with "traditional" mathematical teaching topics

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In concrete terms, this means that teachers must be able to use digital media in their respective subject lessons in a **professional and didactically meaningful way** and to **reflect on their content** in accordance with the educational mandate.

KMK, 2016, p. 24

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Behind the simplicity and the clear interface of currently popular search engines hides a complexity that is not understood by many users.





How to teach Search Engine Literacy

Teaching Concept

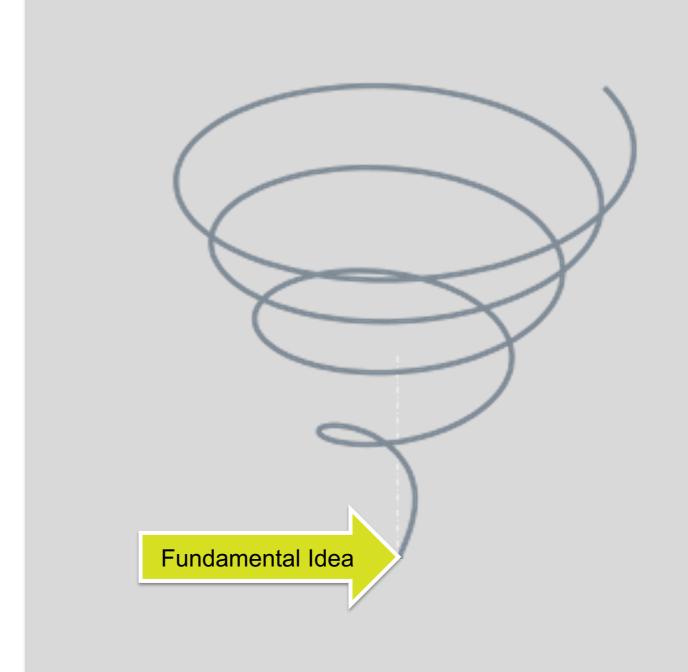


Identification of **Fundamental**

Ideas of **Search Engine Literacy**

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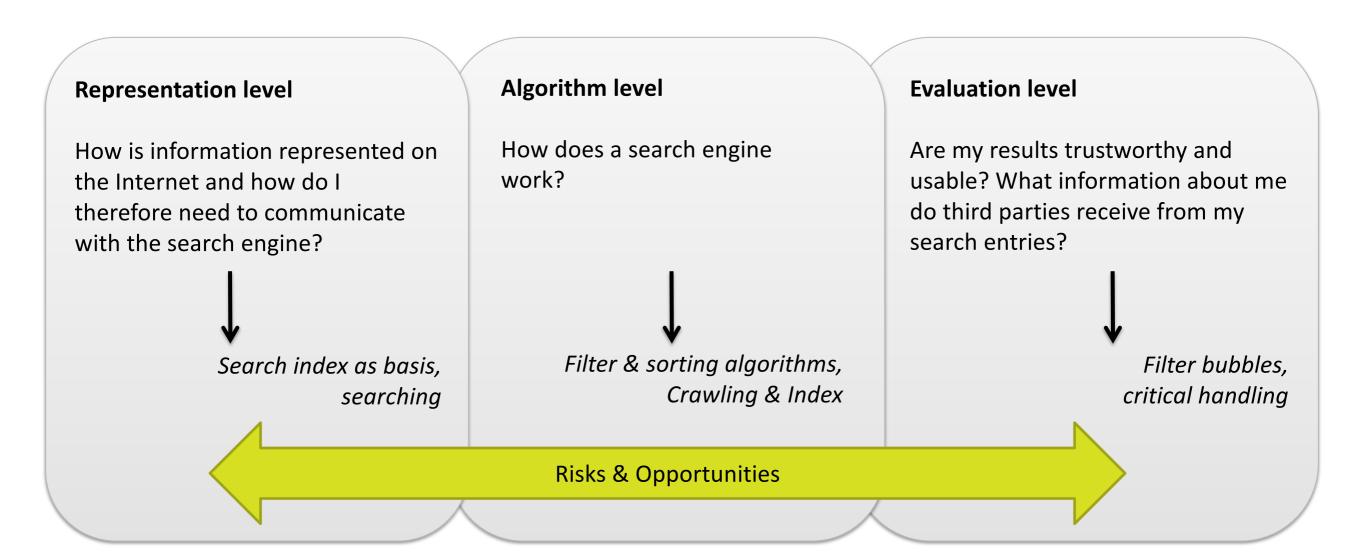
traditional curriculum.



Platz, Müller, Niehaus & Müller (2021)

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Teaching Strategy



Goal: to understand a concept in a theoretically sound way (topic "algorithms" (Etzold et al., 2019) transferred to "search engines" and extended by a reflection)

Initial example

First, an initial example is discussed intensively. This must be characteristic for the concept to be formed, i.e. the essence of the concept must be particularly well recognizable and tangible in it. It should not be a special case, but also not contain too many additional components that distract from the actual concept.

Initial abstraction

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Concreti-

Now the initial abstraction is applied to further examples, the concretizations. In doing so, the initial abstraction is worked with, reasons are given why it is applicable or why the examples contain certain properties, etc. Through this occupation, the essence of the concept is once again penetrated and better internalized.

Reflection

Consequences for dealing with search engines are drawn and "guidelines" for optimized search are formulated.

Example: Ranking



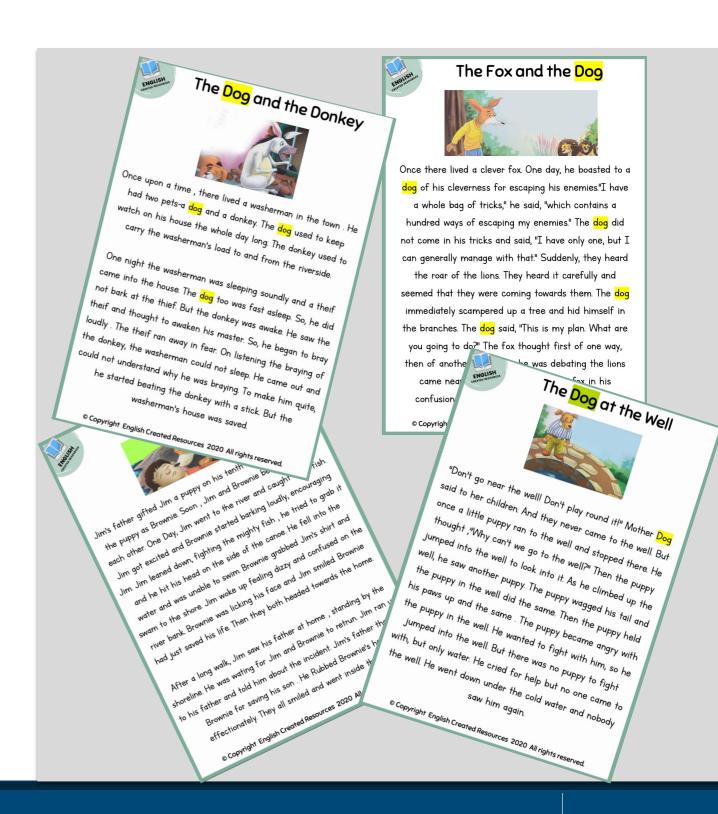
Text statistics are used to compare search queries and documents.

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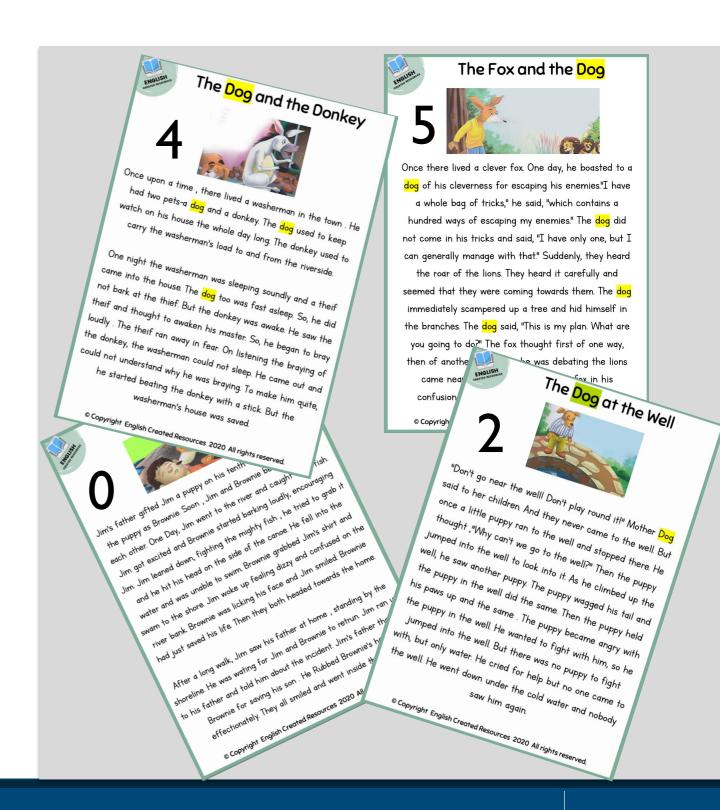


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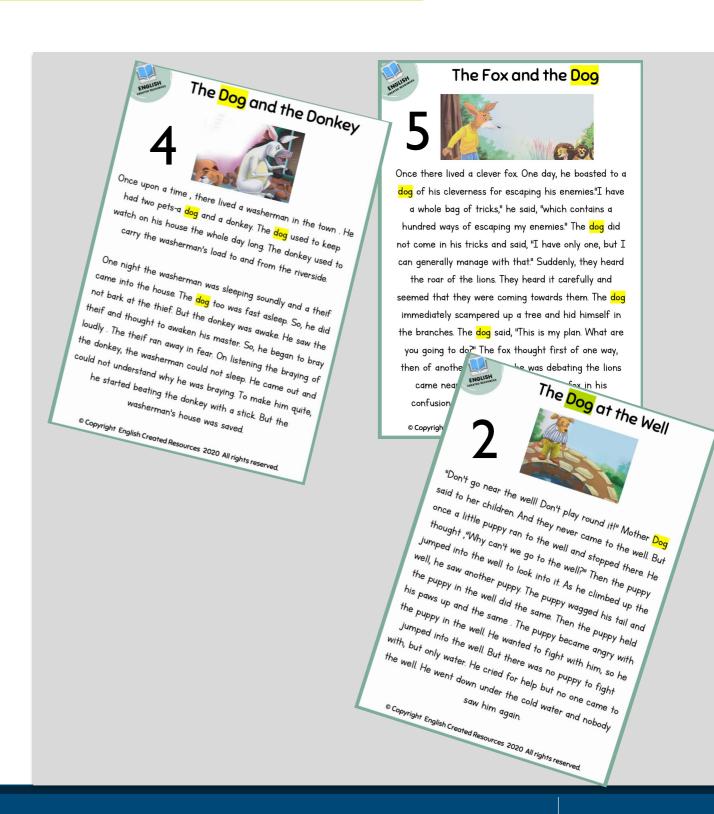


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The Fox and the Dog



Once there lived a clever fox. One day, he boasted to a dog of his cleverness for escaping his enemies."I have a whole bag of tricks," he said, "which contains a hundred ways of escaping my enemies." The dog did not come in his tricks and said, "I have only one, but I can generally manage with that." Suddenly, they heard the roar of the lions. They heard it carefully and seemed that they were coming towards them. The dog immediately scampered up a tree and hid himself in the branches. The dog said, "This is my plan. What are you going to do?" The fox thought first of one way, then of another, and while he was debating the lions came nearer and nearer. At last the fox in his confusion was caught up by the lions and killed.

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The Dog and the Donkey





id two pets-a <mark>dog</mark> and a donkey. The <mark>dog</mark> used to keep ch on his house the whole day long. The donkey used to carry the washerman's load to and from the riverside.

night the washerman was sleeping soundly and a theif e into the house. The <mark>dog</mark> too was fast asleep. So, he did

not bark at the thief. But the donkey was awake. He saw the theif and thought to awaken his master. So, he began to bray . The theif ran away in fear. On listening the braying of the donkey, the washerman could not sleep. He came out and could not understand why he was braying. To make him quite, he started beating the donkey with a stick But the

washerman's house was saved

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ne <mark>Dog</mark> at the Well



well! Don't play round it!" Mother <mark>Dog</mark> And they never came to the well. But ran to the well and stopped there. He 't we go to the well?" Then the puppy ell to look into it. As he climbed up the er puppy. The puppy wagged his tail and well did the same. Then the puppy held

his paws up and the same . The puppy became angry with the puppy in the well. He wanted to fight with him, so he jumped into the well. But there was no puppy to fight with, but only water. He cried for help but no one came to the well. He went down under the cold water and nobody saw him again.

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A ranking of search results for a search term can be created by first **excluding the texts**, mathematical objects, etc., that **do** not contain the search term. Afterward, the order in which the texts, mathematical objects, etc., are to be displayed can be determined using frequency determination. The text, mathematical object, etc., in which the search term is found most often, comes first, the text, mathematical object, etc., in which the search term occurs second most often, comes **second**, and so on.

Concretizations



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- On the set of numbers up to 20, "large, even" is searched for.
- On the set of geometric solids {cube, sphere, cone, triangular-based pyramid, cylinder} "face" is searched.

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Consideration of structural information in documents:

What are "meaningful" search results that help the searcher?

→the idea of quality control can be stimulated



- the formulation of the search query is essential
- not only the first hits should be considered but also subsequent ones since the ranking "is always only one of many possible algorithmic views of the contents of the World Wide Web" (Lewandowski, 2021, p. 93)



Jim's Puppy



Jim's father gifted Jim a puppy on his tenth birthday. Jim named the puppy as Brownie. Soon , Jim and Brownie beacme fond of each other. One Day, Jim went to the river and caught a big fish. Jim got excited and Brownie started barking loudly, encouraging Jim. Jim leaned down, fighting the mighty fish , he tried to grab it and he hit his head on the side of the canoe. He fell into the water and was unable to swim. Brownie grabbed Jim's shirt and swam to the shore. Jim woke up fealing dizzy and confused on the river bank Brownie was licking his face and Jim smiled Brownie had just saved his life. Then they both headed towards the home.

After a long walk, Jim saw his father at home, standing by the shoreline. He was wating for Jim and Brownie to retrun. Jim ran up to his father and told him about the incident. Jim's father thanked Brownie for saving his son. He Rubbed Brownie's head effectionately. They all smiled and went inside the home

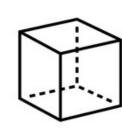
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Which number is larger?

18

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How many faces?





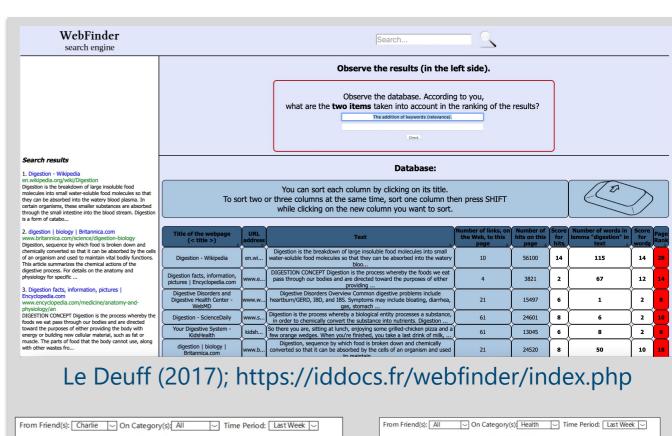


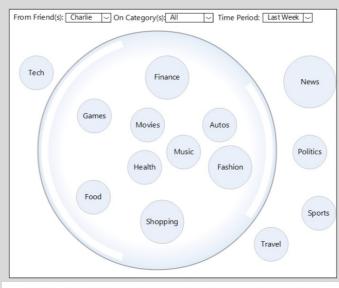


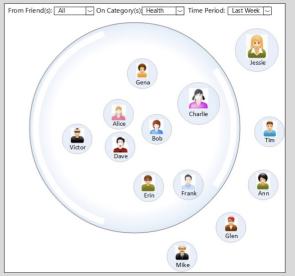
Not reinventing the wheel



Based on this idea, existing concepts of SEL can be transferred to the primary school level.



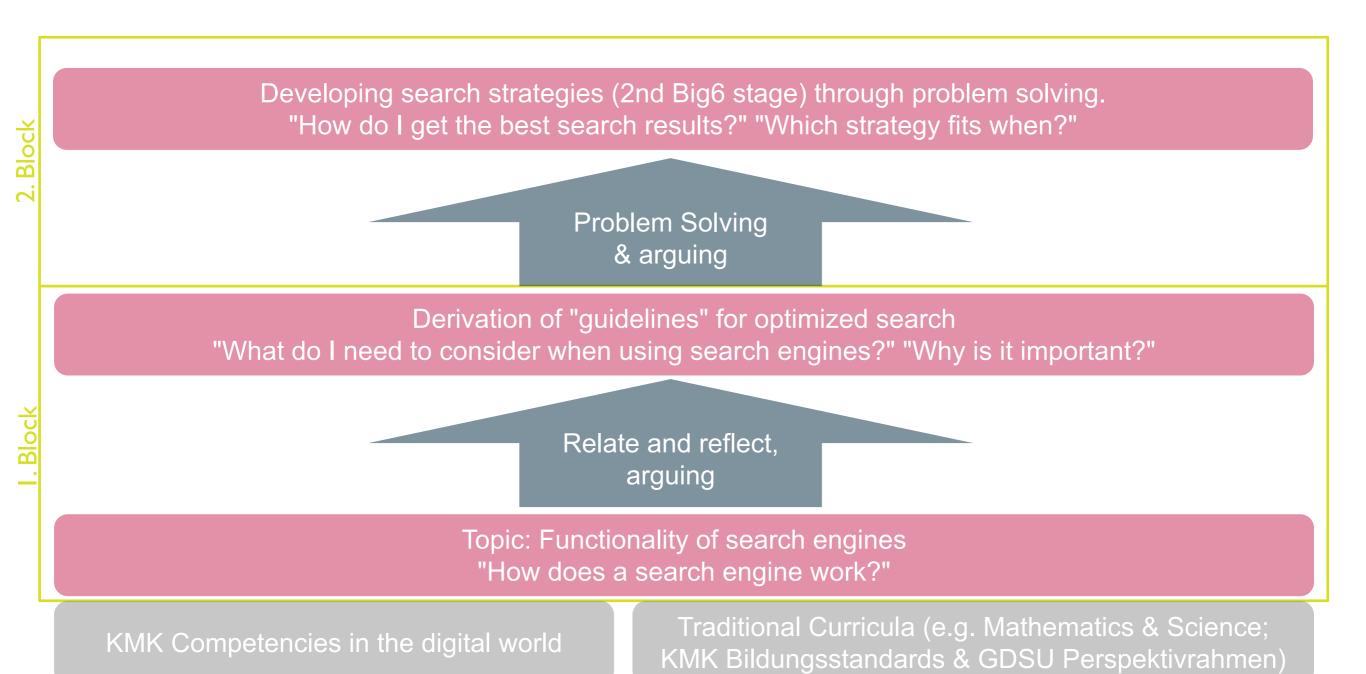




Nagulendra & Vassileva (2014)

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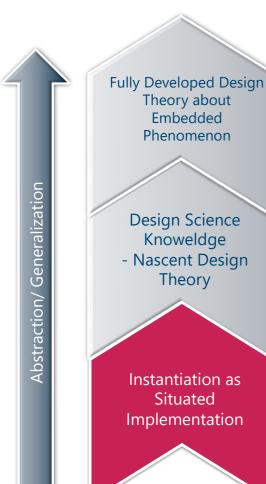


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Where are we now and what happens next?

Current developments





General, Well-Developed Design Theories Artefacts

Constructs
Models
Frameworks
Architectures
Design Prinziples

Methods Instantiations (Best Practice Examples)

Cf. Purao (2002); Vaishnavi et al. (2019)

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Platz (2020)



Search Engine Literacy [Bearbeiten]

Funktionsweise einer Suchmaschine [Bearbeite

Entwickler der Lernumgebung: Sarah Becker, Jessica Masuhr, Julia Huppert, Isabelle Diagne-Schmidt, Katrin Kirsch

Kurzfassung: In dieser Lernumgebung übernehmen die Lernenden die Rolle einer Suchmaschine und untersuchen den Umgang mit dieser. Zur Motivierung und thematischen Einbettung wurde ein Weihnachtskontext gewählt. Der Chrie einer Spielzeugfabrik muss ein passendes Weihnachtsgeschenk für ein Kind namens Kim finden. Dazu möchte er die Suchmaschine nutzen. Allerdings weiß er nicht, wie man am besten nach einem Geschenk sucht. Zunäch erkennen die Lernenden die Notwendigkeit einer exakten Suche und die Notwendigkeit der Sordierung von Ergebnissen. Anschließend sollen sie die Arbeit der sogenannten Crawfer übernehmen, indem sie eine Menge an Gegenständen sordieren. In einem anschließenden Rollenspiel bestellen sie an einem Schalter, der die Suchmaschine darstellt, verschiedene Gegenstände. Dazu müssen sie mit drei Wörtern ihren Gegenstand so genau beschreiben, damit sie das entsprechende Gegenstück erhalten. So erkennen sie, wie man am besten nach Ergebnisch unt Internet sucht. Dazu werden gemeinsam Guidelines formuliert, die die Lernenden auf einem Arbeitsblatt festhalten. Zum Abschluss zeigt ein Video, wie eine Suchmaschine funktioniert. Dabei können die Lernenden Bezüge zu ihrem eigenen Vorgehen in der Unterrichtsstunde herstellen.

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Personalisiertes Ranking [Bearbeiten]

Entwickler der Lernumgebung:Paulina Albrecht, Marie Jochum und Luisa Braun

Kurzfassung

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Einstieg in die Arbeit mit Suchmaschinen und Personalisierung [Bearbeiten]

Entwickler der Lernumgebung: Talisa Grießmer, Selina Nickel

Kurzfassung: In dieser Lernumgebung sollen die Lernenden die Funktionsweise einer Suchmaschine und damit einhergehend die Personalisierung verstehen, indem sie spielerisch einzelne Funktionen der Suchmaschine selbs ausführen. Darüber hinaus wird mit Tablets, also mit digitalen Medien, gearbeitet, wodurch einerseits der Alltag der Kinder mitleinbezogen wird und andererseits ihre digitalen Kompetenzen geschult werden. Zusätzlich wirkt der Einsatz der digitalen Medien motivierend auf die Kinder, Außerdem wird in der Lernumgebung vor allem die Kompetenz des Begründens gefördert, welche in vielen Lebensbereichen benötigt wird. Durch die Durchführung der einzelnen Funktionen der Suchmaschine lernen die Schülerinnen und Schüler außerdem, wie ihre Suchergebnisse zustande kommen. Zusätzlich erfahren sie, dass die Suchmaschine Daten über sie sammelt, was zu einem vorsichtigen Umgang mit dem Internet animieren soll.

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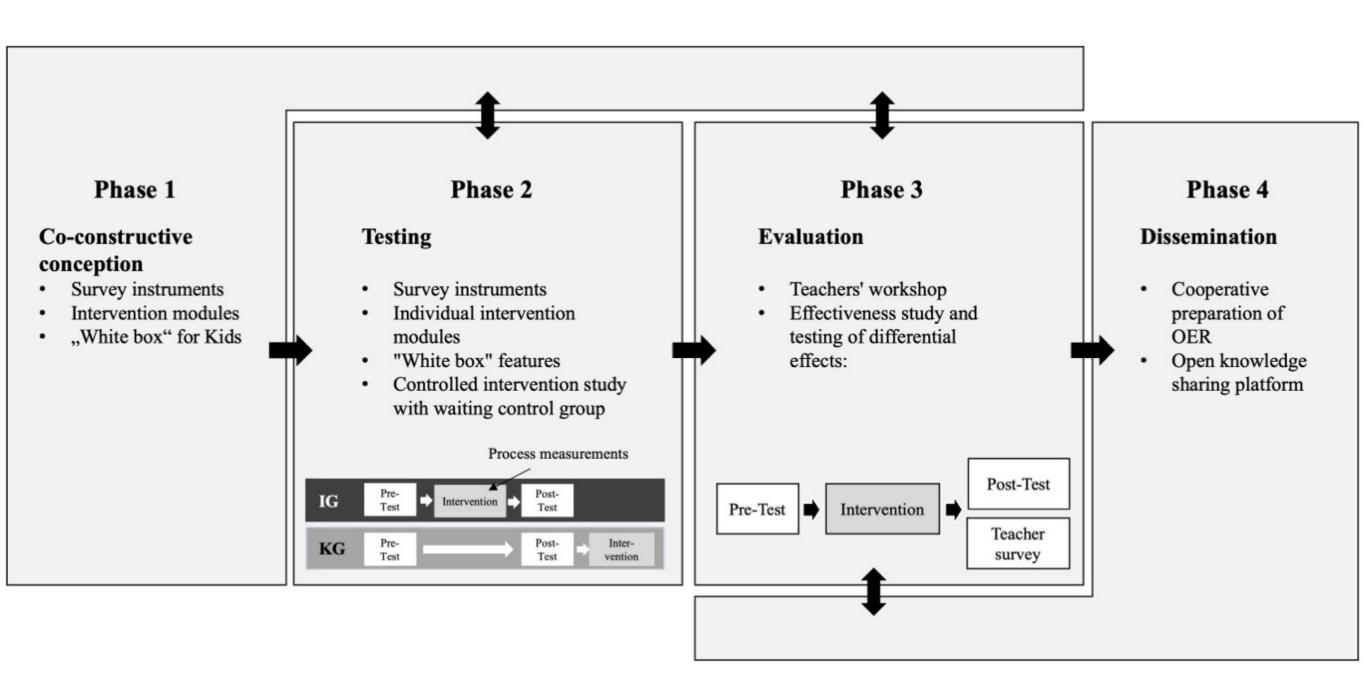
Algorithmen [Bearbeiten]

Entwickler der Lernumgebung: Lara Nehren, Julia Palermo

Kurzfassung: Die SuS sollen verstehen, dass Algorithmen nicht nur ein komplexes und schwer begreifbares Phänomen aus der Welt der Computer etc. sind, sondern, dass ganz alltägliche Situationen ebenso von Algorithmen durchzogen sind. Somit sollen Berührungsängste der SuS mit der Thematik vorgebeugt werden, sodass eine Offenheit dire rzeugt wird. Dies ist insbesondere deshab von großer Bedeutung, da in naher Zukunft Algorithmen wichtiger dem in eis ein werden. Durch ein früh (im Grundschulzten) alleren in den Bereich der Informatii

Project phases



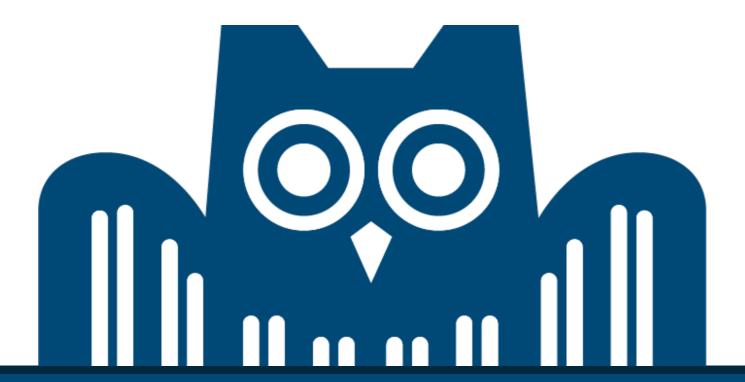


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Thank you for your attention!



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