

Collaboration in STEM Education

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How long does it take to "cook yourself" in a closed car

Objective: measure the rate of temperature rise inside a car

- elementary-school measurement based on a real situation
- surprising results (!) to children
- high-quality relevant data can be obtained with the age group at the primary school level



- very attractive regarding the tools used and the topic of the problem
- linking the physical problem with the use of IT
- link between the physical problem and critical thinking
- use of knowledge of biology

Easily gradable: it is easy to adjust the difficulty and breadth of the assignment as well as the options and techniques according to the age and abilities of the children.





There are a number of seasonal media reports related to the danger of overheating of children / animals in a closed car.





This project was implemented last summer as a part of "the research week" holiday program for gifted children in our town. The youngest children firstly tried measuring with an alcohol and digital thermometer, then chose a digital thermometer to carry out the experiment measurement. The most capable children have built their own wireless temperature sensor. They used a single-chip ESP32 microcontroller, which (with a connected temperature sensor) made it possible to measure the temperature and immediately send it via Wi-Fi to a nearby PC.





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Finding the Culprit

Case Profile and Status of Investigation

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- the microscopic analysis of fibre samples,
- the comparison of fingerprints and footprints,
- the performance of a chemical blood test,
- the examination of substance properties (e.g. solubility, flame colouration, ...),
- the analysis of the refraction properties of lenses,
- the reconstruction of a bullet trajectory.

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- ...is established between two schools from the Rhein-Main area with a focus on science education and talent management.
- ...includes work in both schools' laboratories as well as on the "crime scene".

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Conclusion: "Finding the Culprit" is a thrilling annual cooperative science project which enables students to expand their scientific knowledge and competences beyond the classroom whilst strengthening their social skills at the same time.





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The Yemen chameleon as a Teaching Subject







Colaboration: STEM-AR club "PengulN" + V.N.Karazin Kharkiv national university



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projects including the local community - e.g. between teachers, schools and companies, different communities Iryna Pakhomova | STEM-AR club | Kharkiv | Ukraine Dmytro Matsokin | V.N.Karazin Kharkiv university | Kharkiv | Ukraine **Augmented reality in education**

The goal of the project: to create mobile (Android) applications with augmented reality and create STEM-lessons with these applications.

1. Skyscrapers AR. An app with augmented reality for the demonstration of world-famous architectural structures.

2. Da Vinci Machines AR. In this app you can explore Leonardo's work in 3D. With controls provided in the app, you will be able to see 3D models from different perspectives with mesmerizing 3D animations.

3. Bridges AR. Augmented reality application for the demonstration of six basic bridge structures.

The STEM lessons program was created using these authour's applications.





Learn type of bridges with AR. 3D models

How to start using augmented reality technology in lessons?

- 1. Find the application in Google Play
- 2. Install the application on a smartphone or tablet
- 3. Print out the key cards to which the application will respond
- 4. Turn on the application on the phone
- 5. Let's point the smartphone camera at the key picture

6. On the screen of the smartphone we will see augmented reality information









Own models of bridges were created













Travel around the world and learn about famous buildings

Create own tower from 20 sheets of paper





Create own model of the catapult





Key cards for "Da Vinci Machines AR"

AR technology gives teachers the opportunity to enhance classroom experiences, teach hands-on skills, to inspire student minds and get students excited about exploring new interests



