DESK RESEARCH

Desk Research method-searching for information about specific topic using existing resources (Internet, books, articles and reports.

Topic: *Legos used in the context of children's learning*

Ddescription:
During the desk research I used mostly already prepared articles in the internet. I was opening the most interesting links and reading about how legos are used in the context of children's learning.

What I found out:
I downloaded and read articles about advantages and disadvantages of using lego in the context of developing skills by children. In general I found out a lot of useful information on how playing legos impact on their thinking and behavior.

Why children should play lego:
- http://brickdave.com/how-to-learn-with-lego
- https://www.learningliftoff.com/what-kids-can-learn-from-playing-with-lego-bricks/
- https://www.parentingscience.com/Lego-bricks-construction-toys-and-STEM-skills.html

Lego Therapy:
- https://www.playgroundprofessionals.com/play/toys/lego-play-therapy-benefits-children-autism112
- https://www.welovebricks.com/lego-therapy/

Benefits for kids of playing lego:
- https://www.tsc.nsw.edu.au/tscnews/eight-educational-benefits-of-playing-with-lego
- https://www.kiddiwinks.co.za/news/2016/09/7-benefits-of-lego-play-for-kids-and-adults/
- https://classroom.synonym.com/benefits-learning-legos-8788626.html

Skills developed from lego play:
- https://theshirleyjourney.com/5-skills-can-developed-lego-play/
- https://www.educatorstechnology.com/2014/02/the-7-skills-kids-can-develop-from.html?m=1
- https://preschoolinspirations.com/10-important-skills-children-learn-legos/

OBSERVATION

Observation research method-Researching and describing how people behave in specific time and environment.
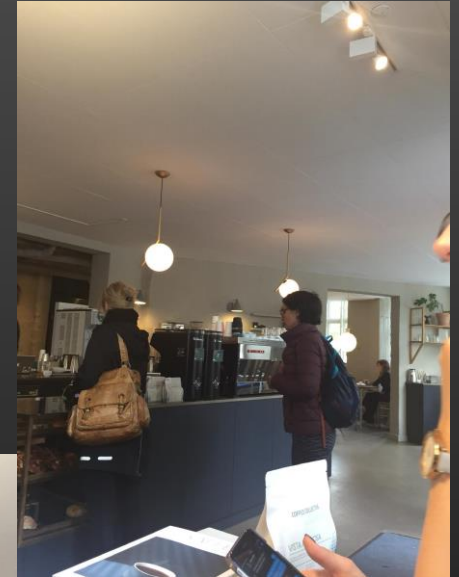
Topic: *Ktchen culture*

Ddescription:

Coffee Collective 9/30/2019 time: 13.30
While observing the place I took some notes and pictures.
People are standing in the queue waiting for ordering the coffee. Not all of the tables are taken so the place is not very crowded right now. There are people in different age (mostly young people, few families, mothers with children and one elder couple). All of the customers are talking to each other. People working in this place are very committed to their job. In the background everyone can hear good music. The place is very cozy, the interior design and the vibe of the place reminds of hygge. The environment where customers can relax and get some rest is very convenient. Some people are studying, sitting in front of their computer screens, scrolling something in their mobile phones and some of them are reading the book or newspaper. The place is quiet even though people are talking, and the music is playing. Everyone can relax while drinking coffee and talking.

INTERVIEW

Interview Research method- conversation between interviewer and interviewee, who responds to asked question about specific topic. This method collects information on people's experiences, feelings and opinions.

Topic: *A hobby or an interest.*

Questions:
- Why in your opinion is it important to have interests?
- How could you describe what exactly is hobby?
- How do you think hobby influence people behavior and mood?
- What was your hobby when you were younger?
- How did it change while you become an adult?
- How often do you spend time to your hobby?
- How do you feel before and after doing something what you truly like?
- How does it change your mood and behavior?

Most important insights:
- Hobby have a positive impact on peoples mood and health;
- Hobby can develop lots of skills;
- Feeling motivation and satisfaction after doing something what interests people;
- Usually adults don't have much free time to pursue their hobby;

Description:
I interviewed Maria Kupryjaniuk about her interests.
While conducting this Informal interview I used recorder and took some short notes. I mainly focused on having comfortable conversation, tried to be focused on the interviewer and her answers. The interview last for approximately 12min. I was impressed that some of the answers were different that I expected while creating question. The answers of my interviewee were long and very useful for my research. I found out a lot of information about hobby in general and her interests which is playing piano, swimming and running.

SURVEY

Survey research method- method based on answers from respondents given on questionnaire. This method collects data from people's experiences and opinions about specific topic.

Topic: *Moving to Copenhagen*

Description:
I created a questionnaire on google form after discussion with my classmate. We chose the most important aspects of the topic and then tried to come up with appropriate questions. There are 10 specific questions about moving, finding and living in an accommodation in Copenhagen. The questionnaire was created for exchange students living in Denmark. I got answers from 17 respondents.

Questions:
1. What's your gender?
2. What's your age?
3. In which semester are you currently in?
4. Did you find it difficult to move to another country?
5. How did you find an accommodation?
6. If you chose the housing website, what was the language of it?
7. What is the monthly rent?
8. In which area of Copenhagen do you live?
9. Are you sharing your accommodation with someone?
10. Are you satisfied with your overall experience with looking for accommodation?
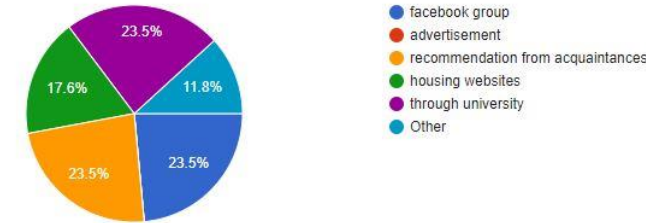
What I found out:
All of the responders are less than 30years old. 70.6% of them were female. 13 of 17 responders are first semester students. Most of them are sharing accommodation with other people. If it goes about being satisfied with overall experience with looking for an accommodation, the opinions are very divided. All of the provided answers are helpful in the research of

Most important insights about questionnaire:
After research I noticed that some of the questions wasn't very clear. The multiple choice option wasn't necessary in 3 questions. It would be much easier for responders to check the option in different way (checkboxes or short answer). Taking the survey took less time than I expected.
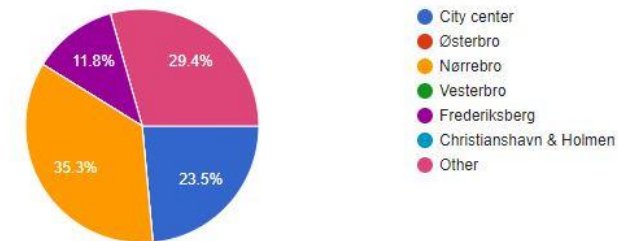

How did you find accommodation?
17 responses
- facebook group
- advertisement
- recommendation from acquaintances
- housing websites
- through university
- Other

23.5% / 11.8% / 23.5% / 23.5% / 17.6%

In which area of Copenhagen do you live?
17 responses
- City center
- Østerbro
- Nørrebro
- Vesterbro
- Frederiksberg
- Christianshavn & Holmen
- Other

29.4% / 23.5% / 35.3% / 11.8%

What is the monthly rent?
17 responses
- < 3500dkk
- 3500dkk-5000dkk
- > 5000dkk

41.2% / 35.3% / 23.5%