# Is it difficult to motivate our students to study physics?



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# **Physics lessons in 2006**

### 45 minutes lesson

- 14 min talking with students
- 20 min presentation of a new material
- 4.5 min students' work
- 3.75 min work in pairs or groups
- missing recap of the topic

The usage of modern tools and technologies in more than 40 % of teaching classes no medium was used.

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INVESTICE DO ROZVOJE VZDĚLÁVÁNÍ Verbal expression the average number of teacher's words was 2976, while student's – 616.



# The research in 2012-2013

(Attention Deficit Hyperactivity Disorder)

### Teaching Physics provided by different teachers in different schools

**10 different elementary schools, also ADHD learners** 



**Different** cities







Teacher's activity – goal setting (active verbs – define, prove..)

# In 40% was formulated immediately after the start of the lesson



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INVESTICE DO ROZVOJE VZDĚLÁVÁNÍ Explanation of new material – by the teacher, mostly correct, discussion only in 20% of schools

Experimental aids were used only in two lessons

The traditional way of teaching and passive learners

# How to engage gen Y learners - strategies

#### **Methods:**







- problem based learning,
- project based learning,
- team work,
- inquiry based learning,
- interdisciplinary approach,
- experiments from very simple and low cost experiments to computer based experiments and remote laboratories.

**Outcomes 1:** 

# Motivation by the own activity of learners – constructivist approach







INVESTICE DO ROZVOJE VZDĚLÁVÁNÍ The technology has the potential to modernize teaching

New equipment in schools

Children are happy when they can be at their computers, but the teacher, because of "packed curriculum", cannot afford it too often. Outcomes 2 :

between them

The use of concept mapping

#### **Concept maps in teaching:**

evropský sociální fond v ČR





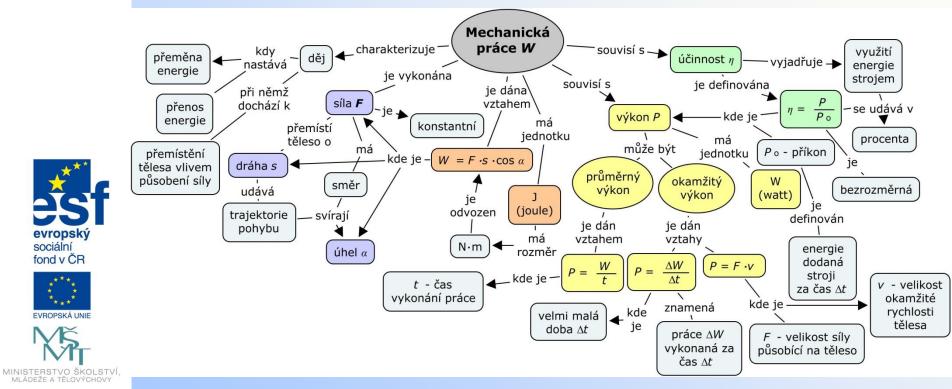


INVESTICE DO ROZVOJE VZDĚLÁVÁNÍ b) Teaching tool - a graphical interpretation of the curriculum, it is possible to use only part of the map relating to the appropriate section of the curriculum

a) Comprehensive conceptual map - is created by the

teacher, includes the basic concepts and relationships

c) Learning aid - students create their own maps



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# **Upgrading existing modules**

**Crime scene investigation** 

**Physics in the kitchen** 

Rheology

Nanotechnology

**Project based learning and interdisciplinary relations** 





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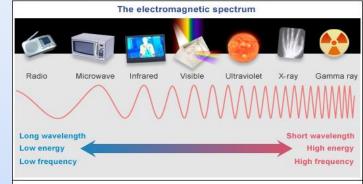
Basic relations, which are used in thermography and which are part of the school

curriculum:

- Planck's law
- Stefan-Boltzman law

 $W_{\lambda b} = \frac{2\pi hc^2}{\lambda^5 \left(\frac{hc}{\lambda kT} - 1\right)} \cdot 10^{-6} \left[ W \cdot m^{-3} \right]$ 

Thermogram



The radiation behind radios, visible light and nuclear blasts is all exactly the same thing, just with different amounts of energy.

$$W_b = \mathcal{E}\sigma T^4 \left[ W/m^2 \right]$$

### The use of thermography in practice:

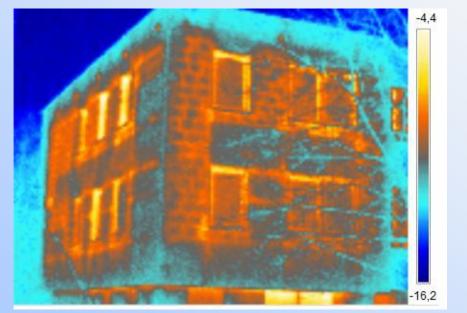
**Construction – loss of heat on the surface of building structures, insulation, structural defects** 









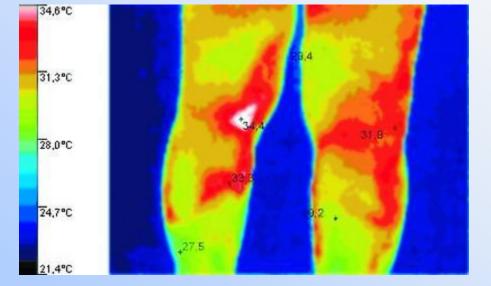


Healthcare - in plastic surgery: control of graft healing, diagnosis of various inflammations, or poor circulation. Using a camera with higher sensitivity we can also diagnose malignant tumors, deposits of infections.









# Industry, electrical engineering - inspection of electrical circuits

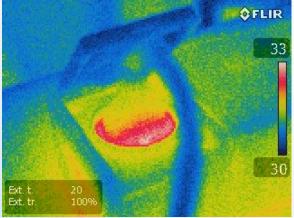




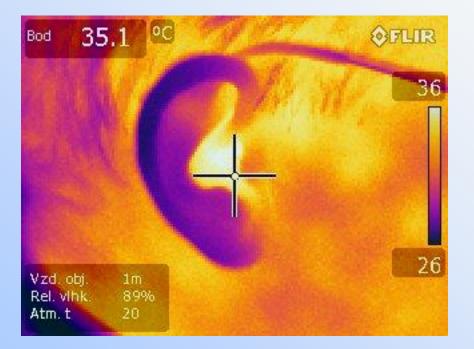








**Criminology -** identification of individuals using the thermo gram of the earlobes, search of people in a smoky room









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# Culinary physics

Related topics :

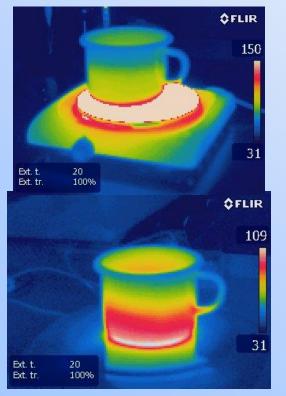
Transport of heat, thermal conductivity - heating with gas cookers, induction hobs. Ice cubes melting in liquids of different density (linked to environmental issues - global warming, melting glaciers).

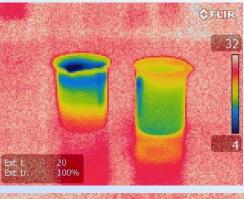


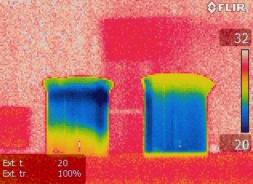












Environmental issues - thermal imager can detect errors in solar panels. Damaged cells can cause abnormal heating - and therefore they can cause a fire. In addition, damaged cells can cause substantial loss of performance of the whole system (the whole module strings).











#### **Experiments – own activity of learners**



























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### Thank you for your attention!



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