

Travelling with families: the journey is the reward



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Lithuania:

- The population in Lithuania is 2.811 million
- Lithuania has an area of 65,300 km²



My work with family research and practice

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THIS IS ME AND MY UNIVERSITY TEAM



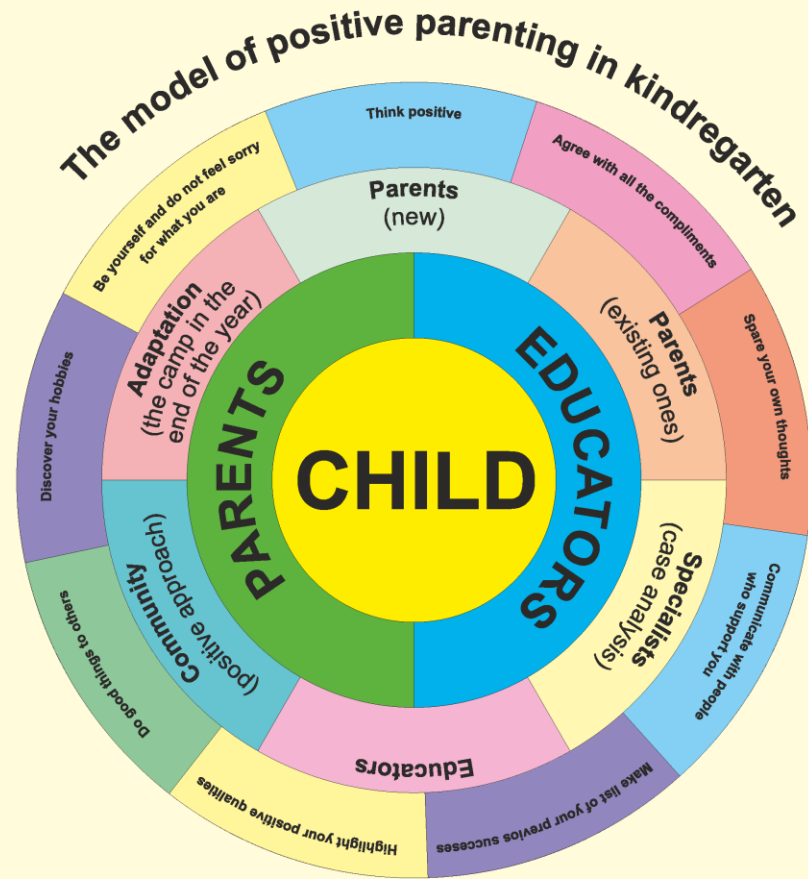
SMILING FACES – ONE OF THE BEST RESULT FROM CAMPS WE ORGANIZED



We believe that successful child self-realization greatly depends on positive parenting

- That's why we established the "Positive Parenthood Club" in kindergartens.
- The club is organized by support specialists in order to facilitate collaboration among teachers and parents and to foster a better understanding of children's behavior.
- Parents and teachers, with the help of a psychologist or social pedagogue, become better acquainted with themselves and the children they care for.

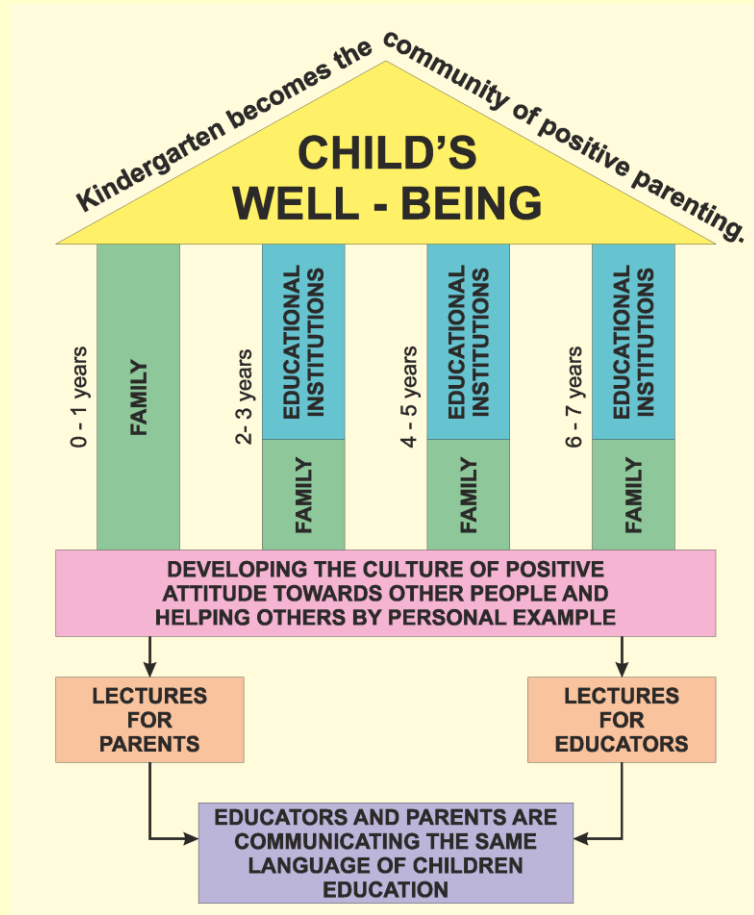
The "Positive Parenthood Club"



During club meetings, we outline the roles of responsible parenting which support a child's healthy development:

- ✓ the love giver;
- ✓ the teacher of life;
- ✓ the daily care giver;
- ✓ the setter of the limits;
- ✓ the social relations consultant.

Kindergarten becomes the community of positive parenting



Pre-school support specialists (psychologists and social pedagogues) conduct training sessions for educators in order to strengthen their competence in working with children.

The model is intended for support specialists in order to help teachers and parents develop a positive set of competences.

Questions such as the following were discussed during the presentation:

- ✓ What are the most effective ways of allowing parents to be informed and engaged with the activities of the “Positive Parenthood Club”?
- ✓ What parent education methods are most effective in creating a harmonious educational environment for children, both within the family and in pre-school education?

Our observations

- ✓ Working with families in the field of positive parenting is a key factor in preventing child abuse.
- ✓ The model has sistematical power for parents, educators and child.
- ✓ The expertise, knowledge, creativity, intelligence, ability to convey information, so parents can hear, is becoming an important factor.

Funny, but the same situation can be seen differently, depending on which side you are. Do you know this?

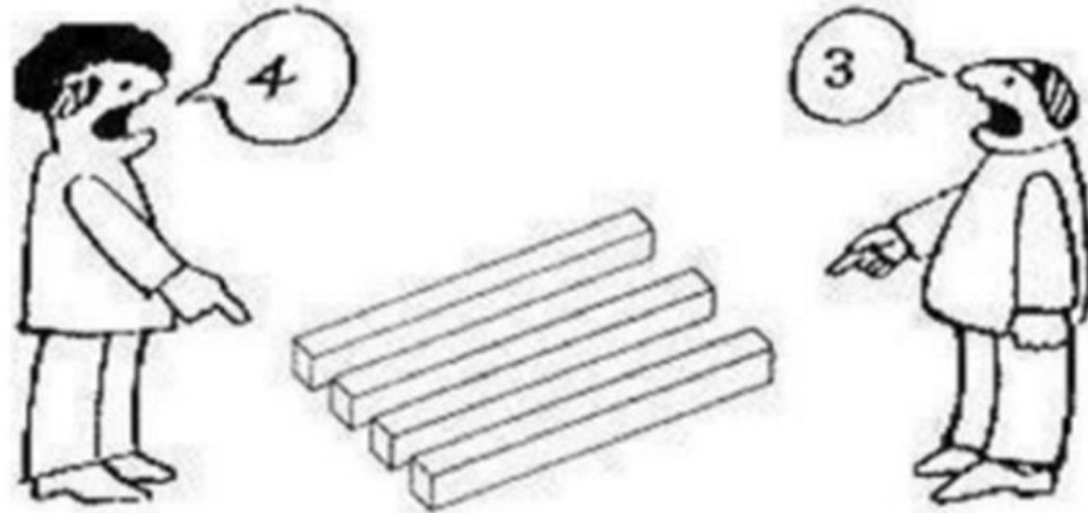
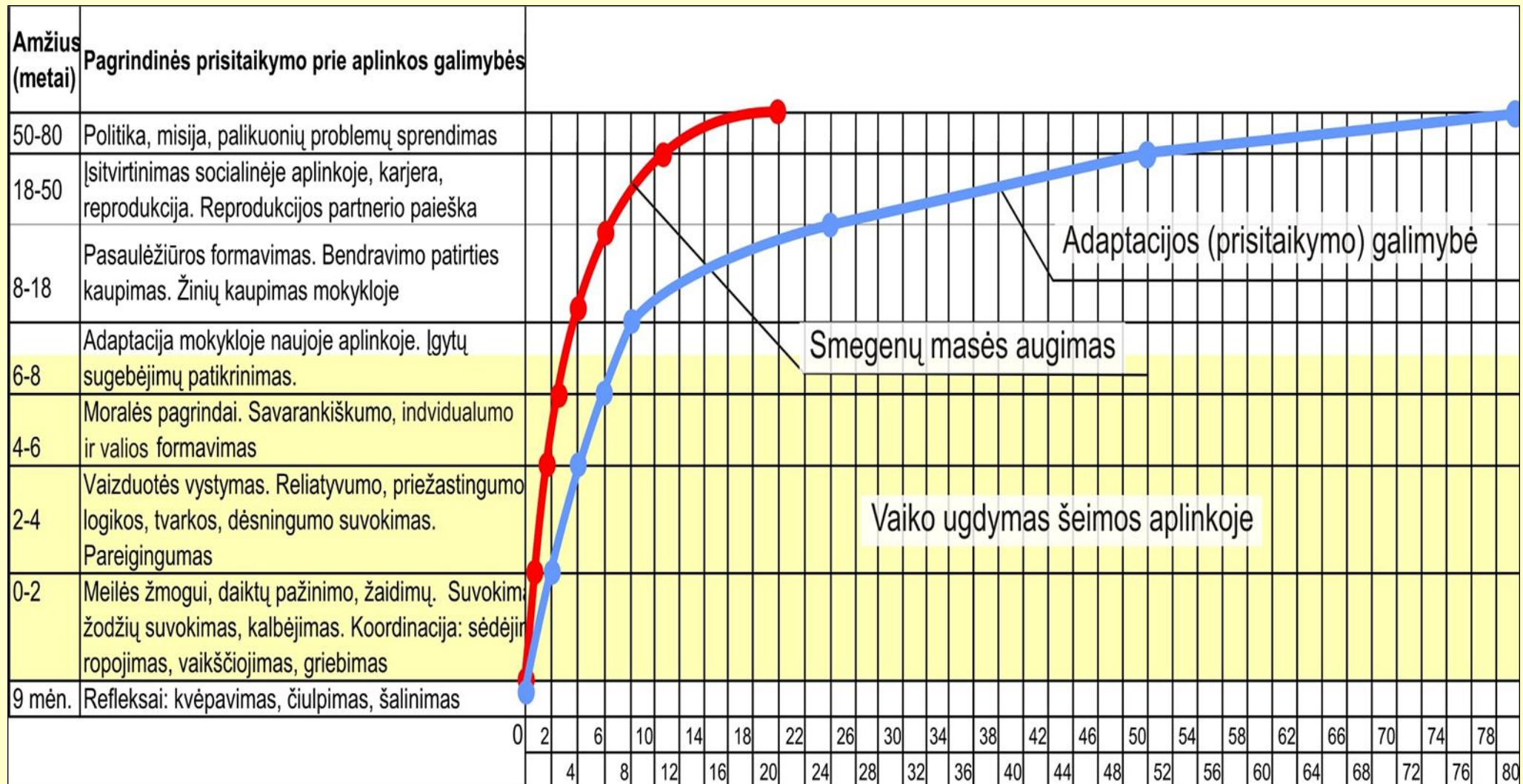


Figure 1 The adaptation (adaptation) of the individual's dependency on age and the brain activation schedule (adapted by T.Helbriug and J.Hermann von Vimpen (1998, p.24)). Dr. Sigita Burvytė dissertation: "Pedagogical correction of first class pupils' adaptation at school". www.ugdykim.lt



Practical task for group number 1.

Improvise on Mikalojus Konstantinas Ciurlionis painting „Karaliu pasaka“ („King’s fairytale“) with the following elements:

- by acting, singing and dancing in pop music style
- including one story teller.

The performance should end as a „live painting“ and will be photographed.



Practical task for group number 2.

Improvise on Salvador Dali painting „Swans reflecting elephants“
with the following elements:

- ✓ funny acting, singing and dancing
- ✓ with two story tellers.

The performance should end as a „live painting“ and will be photographed.



Practical task for group number 3.

Improvise on Vincent van Gogh painting „The starry night“ with the following elements:

- ✓ by acting (without words)
- ✓ singing in romantic style
- ✓ with the story teller
- ✓ one of the songs should be your traditional song.

The performance should end as a „live painting“ and will be photographed.



Practical task for group number 4.

Improvise on Salvador Dali painting „Memory persistence“ with the following elements:

- ✓ by acting (with ethno cultural elements)
- ✓ dancing two dances
- ✓ with the story teller in angry style.

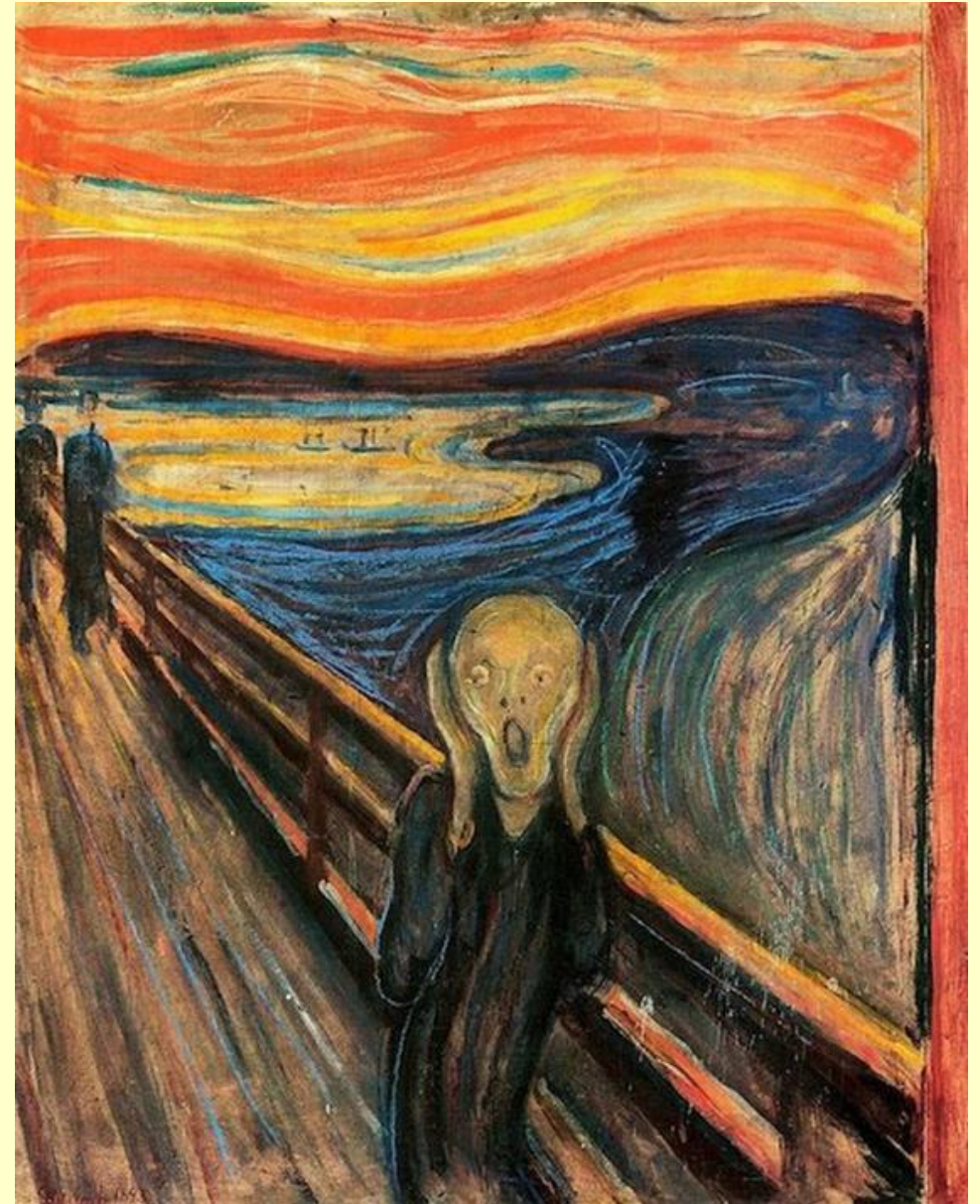
The performance should end as a „live painting“ and will be photographed.



Practical task for group number 5.

- ✓ Improvise on Edvard Munch painting „The Scream“ with the following elements:
- ✓ by acting (sentimental style)
- ✓ dancing (rock style)
- ✓ with two story tellers.

The performance should end as a „live painting“ and will be photographed.



Family camp "Parents for children - children for parents"

- The goal of the camp is to "live" education to help parents and children strengthen their relationships.
- Our motto is to educate children as responsible, creative and full of people
- Group I: 2018 July 16 - 22
- Group I: 2018 July 23 – 27
- Price per person per person 200 Euro without meals
- The cost to the child is 150 euros without meals

Fathers' parents are children's parents in 2017



Families of creative and physical activity



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