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Geography in LATVIA-Curriculum, Study Process, the Role in Educational System

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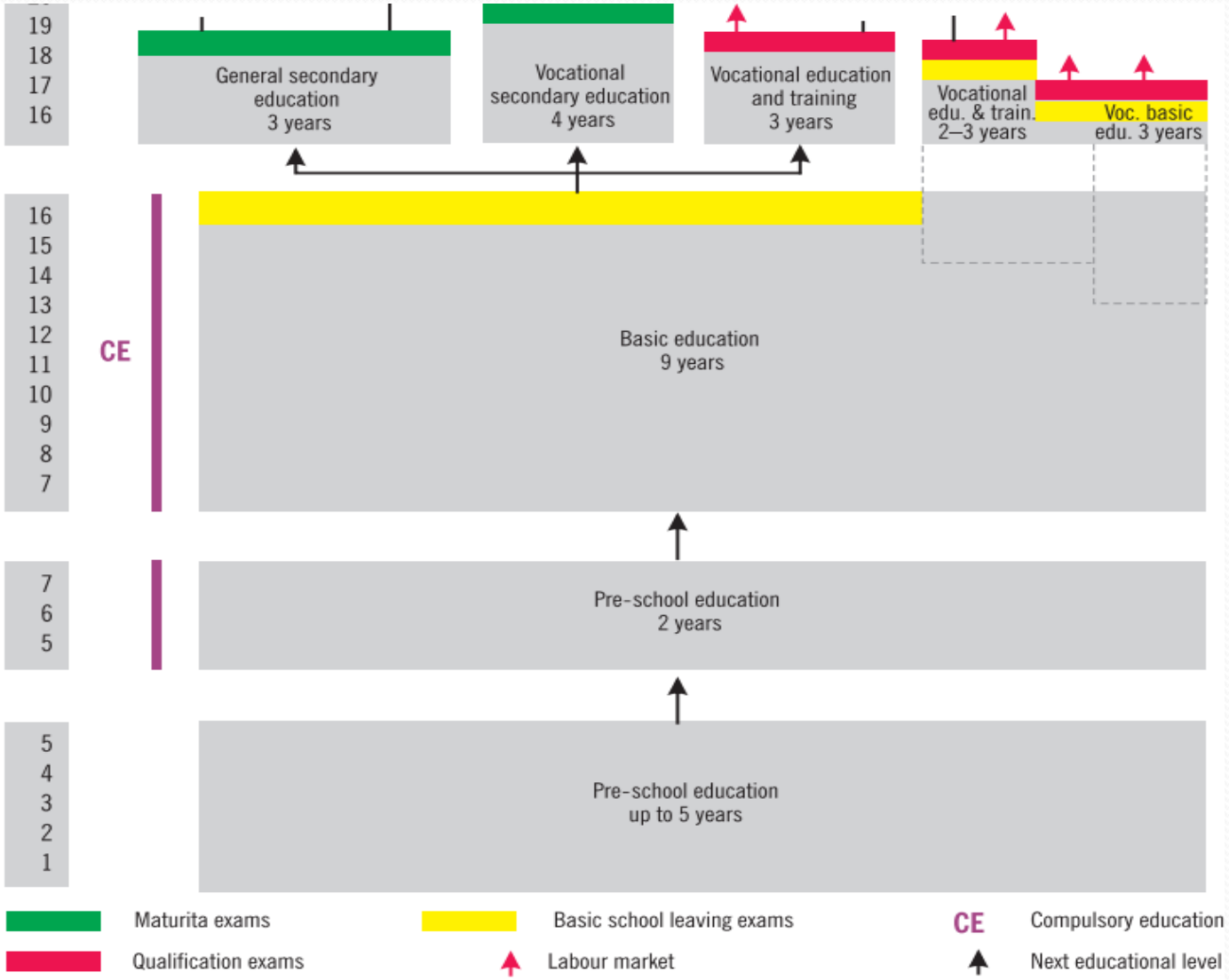
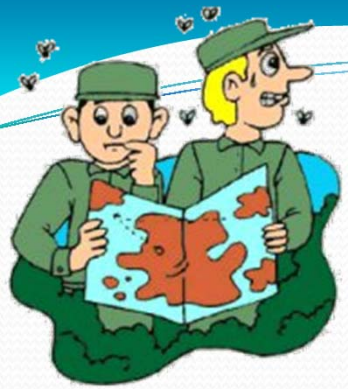
Education System in the Republic of Latvia





Geography at elementary school and secondary school

WHAT do we learn in geography?

HOW do we learn?

WHY should we learn?

Natural Sciences Geography Social Sciences

1-6.kl. 2 lessons per week	Natural Sciences	Geography/Physics/Chemistry/ Biology (elements)
7. kl. 2 ls/week	Africa, Australia, America	Natural conditions, natural resources, population, economic activities.
8.kl. 2 ls/week	Asia, Europe, Baltic states	Natural geography. Population and economic activities (countries and regions).
9.kl. 2 ls/week	Latvia (population, natural conditions, natural resources, economics)	
Secondary School 10.-12.kl. *105 lessons totally*	World geography- nature, population	Natural resources, economic activities, global problems (an integrated approach)
Учебный год	35 недель	

Curriculum in Geography

Natural processes and phenomena

People and society

Natural resources

Economic activity

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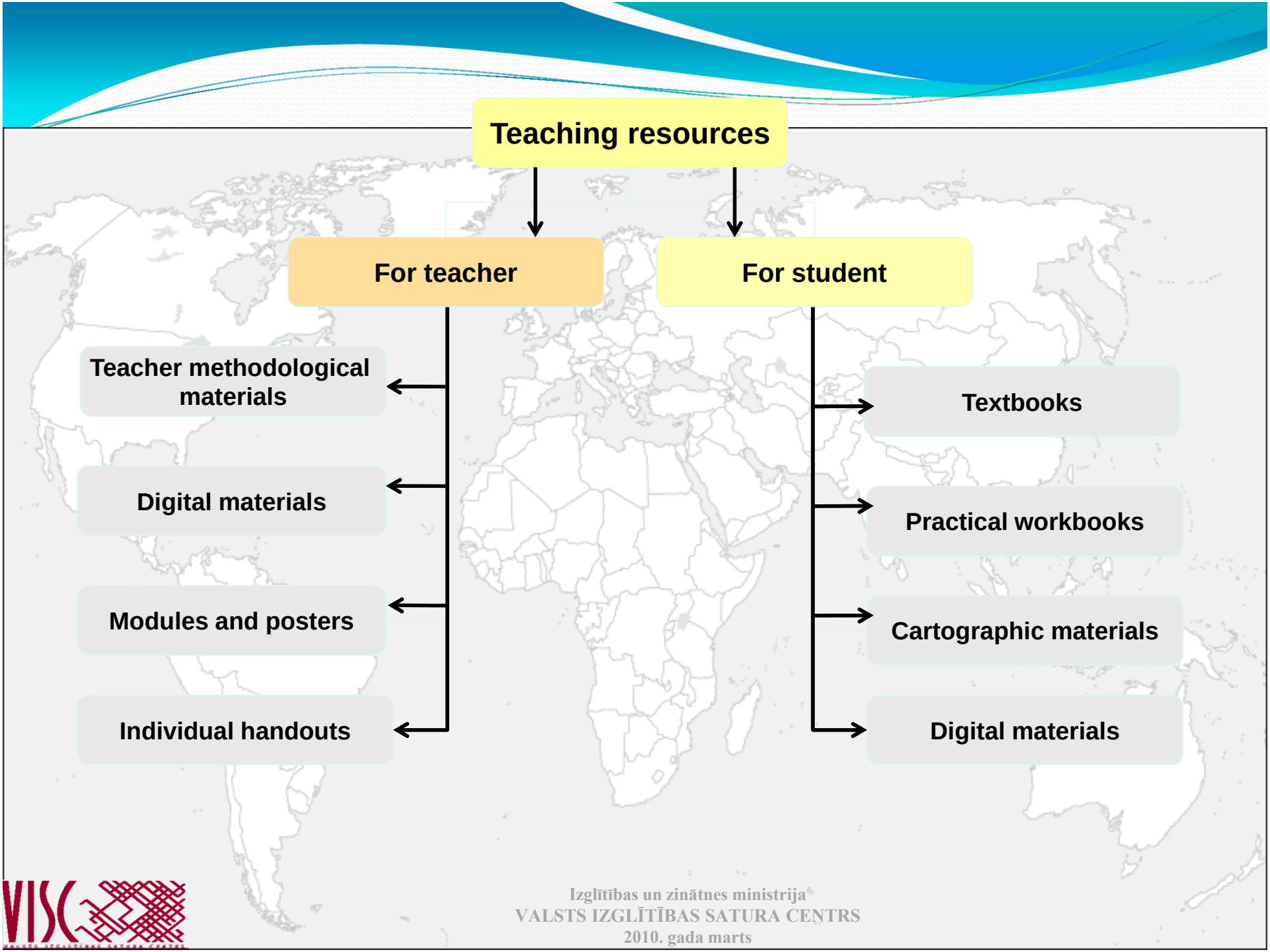
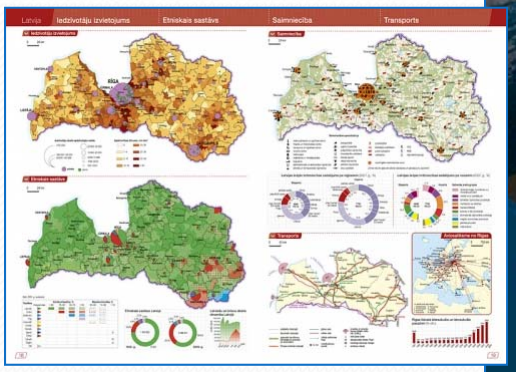
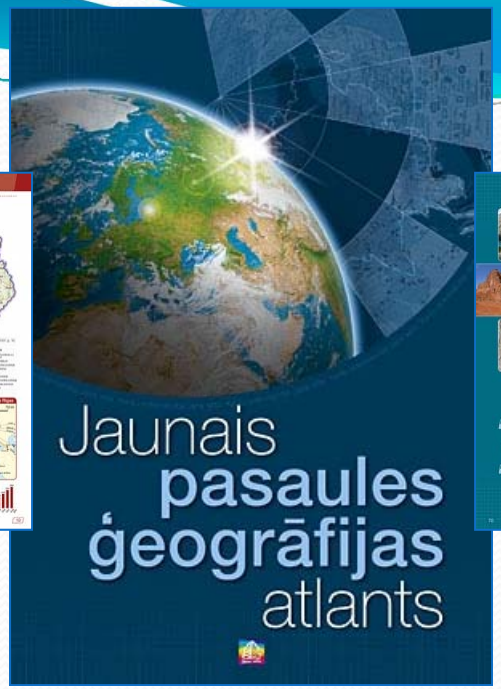

Teaching resources
For teacher
For student
Teacher methodological materials
Digital materials
Modules and posters
Individual handouts
Textbooks
Practical workbooks
Cartographic materials
Digital materials

Cartographic resources





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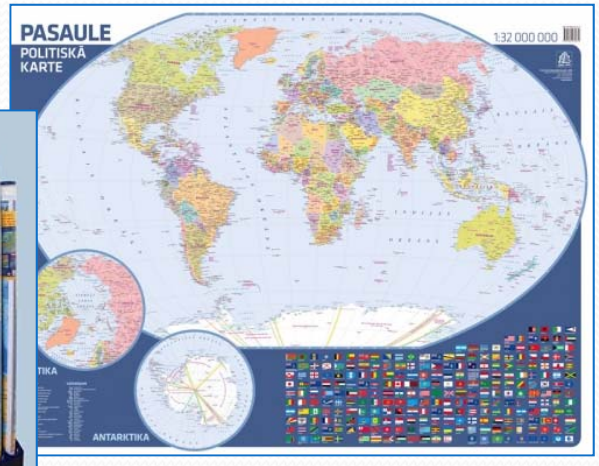

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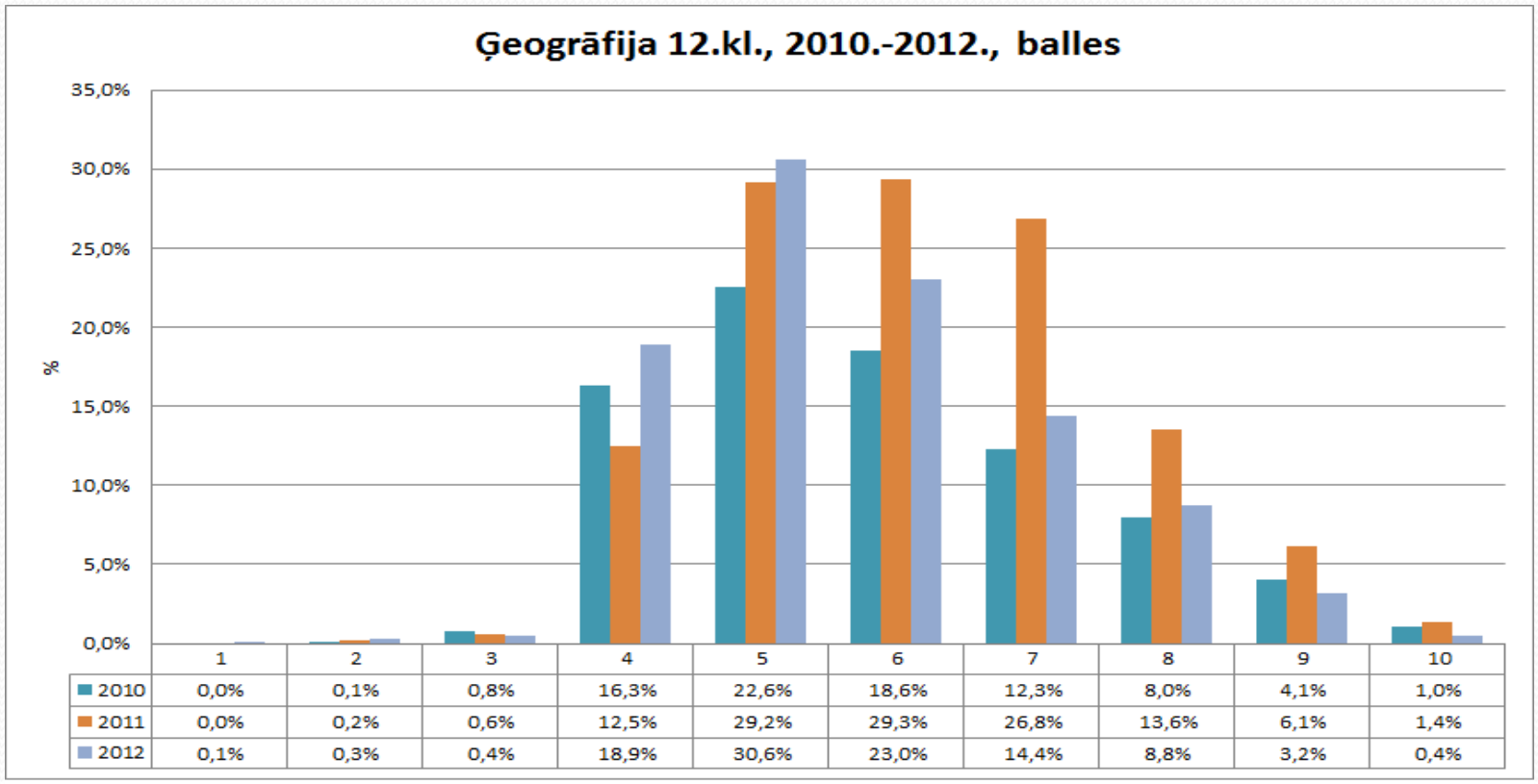
- Test in natural sciences after 6th grade
- Exam in geography (10.-12.kl.)



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2010	0,0%	0,1%	0,8%	16,3%	22,6%	18,6%	12,3%	8,0%	4,1%	1,0%
2011	0,0%	0,2%	0,6%	12,5%	29,2%	29,3%	26,8%	13,6%	6,1%	1,4%
2012	0,1%	0,3%	0,4%	18,9%	30,6%	23,0%	14,4%	8,8%	3,2%	0,4%

Collaboration and cooperation

- Georg Eckert institute for International Textboock Research (1995.-2010.)
- Cooperation and exchange of information with geography teachers from Estonia and Lithuania since 1991.
- Geographic olympiad of the Baltic States from 1996-2009.
- International olympiads since 2002.
- Field trips and lessons in museums

Geographic olympiad of the Baltic States

Narva
2005.

Pērnava
2001.

Tartu
1998.

Sigulda
2004.

Rīga
1996. un 2000.

Skrīveri
2009.

Klaipēda
1994.

Kuršu Nērija
2003.

Viļņa
1999.

Druskininki
2007.

Conferences, workshops, seminars

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- Further education for teachers
- IT resources?
- Field works
- Cooperation of teachers in school
- Variety of teaching methods
- Digital teaching resources

Why we study geography?

Students' answers:

- to understand different procesies and world events
- to study or work in other countries,
- to travel and experience the world

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