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On the 31st of May 2012 the group consisting of 14 Geography SL students set off from the school in order to conduct a fieldwork, which is the collection of information outside of a laboratory or workplace setting. The aim of our investigation was to state whether in Leszno does exists a Central Business District or not. Moreover, using different methods we were able to mark out borders of the CBD in Leszno.

First of all, in order to find out what is the town spatial structure of Leszno, the fieldwork was conducted. At the beginning, the central part of the town was taken into consideration. Our SL group has walked through the most famous streets in Leszno where a lot of shops and restaurants can be found in order to find the usage of ground floor and determine the heights of buildings. The idea of investigating the heights of the buildings was to outline the borders (edges) of the CBD in Leszno. As the heights of buildings decrease, the CBD border will end up. Our activity was mainly rested upon writing down all met objects and then mapping them. It means marking these objects on the maps prepared before the expedition.

Moreover some photographs were made in order to supply documentary evidence of them that will help in the further analysis of our work by showing whether a condition of these buildings is better near the town centre on not. Furthermore by looking at these photos we were able to estimate the CBD by comparing the condition of buildings. If they are new, just after renovation, it may mean that they are inside a CBD. However, if they will not look properly it would be a suggestion that they are out of the range of CBD.

Furthermore our group consisting of 14 students have been distributed along the town centre and near streets in order to count pedestrians that come into and out of the central part of a town in a fixed unit of time.

The final result of our investigation is the written report which will be assessed by our geography teacher.