



**DigiGen**

# **Children's digital experience**

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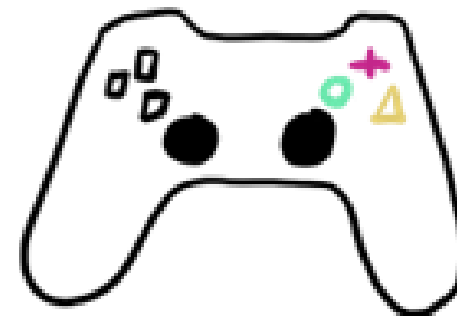
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# What is DigiGen?

- The Impact of Technological Transformations on the Digital Generation.

**WP3:** Studies the Impact of Technological Transformations on family life.



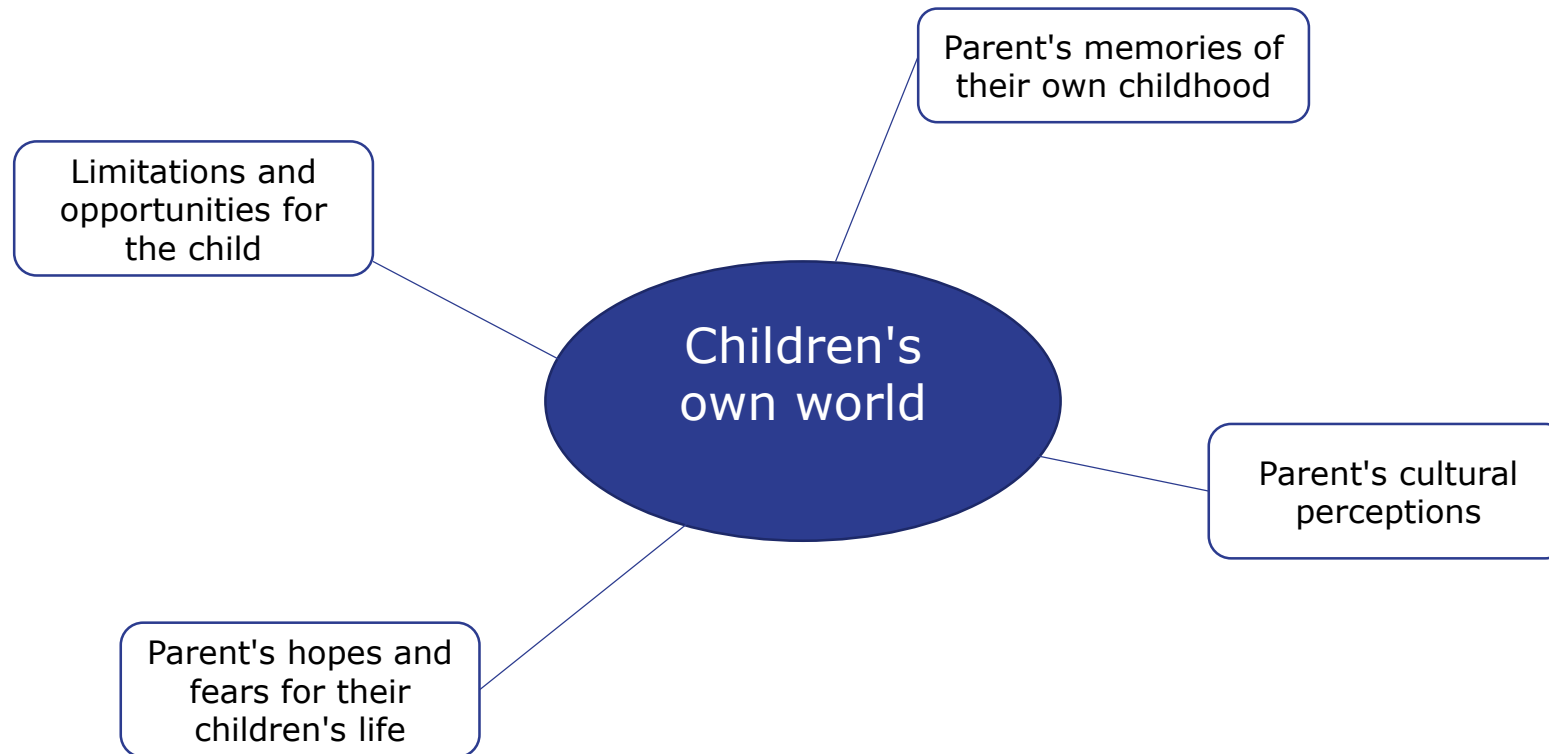
- Interviews with children in the age of 5-6 years and 8-10 years - 2 family members of each child.
- Focus groups with children in the same age groups.

# Children's digital experience

- Using only the data material about norwegian 5-6 – year-olds (individual interviews and focus groups)
- **Research question:** How do norwegian 5-6-year-olds describe living a digital childhood?



# Childhood constructions



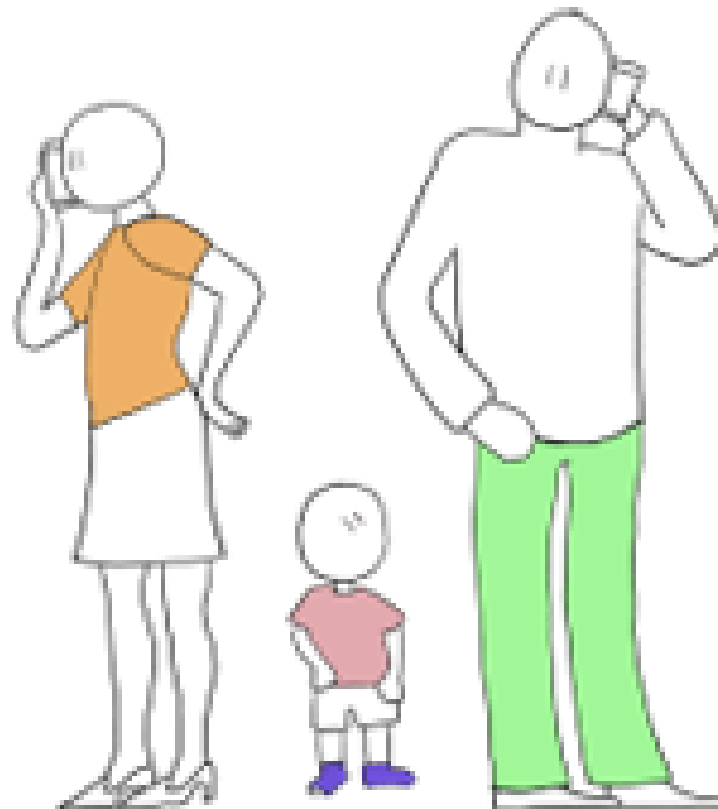
# Method and analysis

- 6 individual interviews
- 5 focus groups with 3 children
- Picture cards with devices and situations
- Roleplay
- At home or Zoom
- Kindergarden
  
- Empirical close coding (Tjora, 2019)



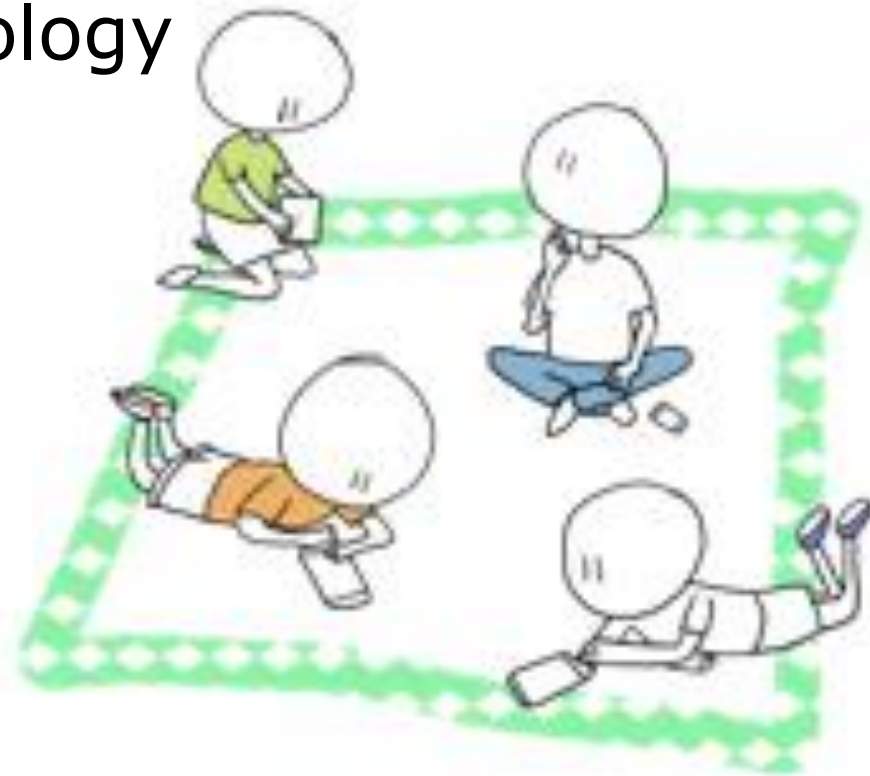
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- Differences
- Being together and alone
- Competanse



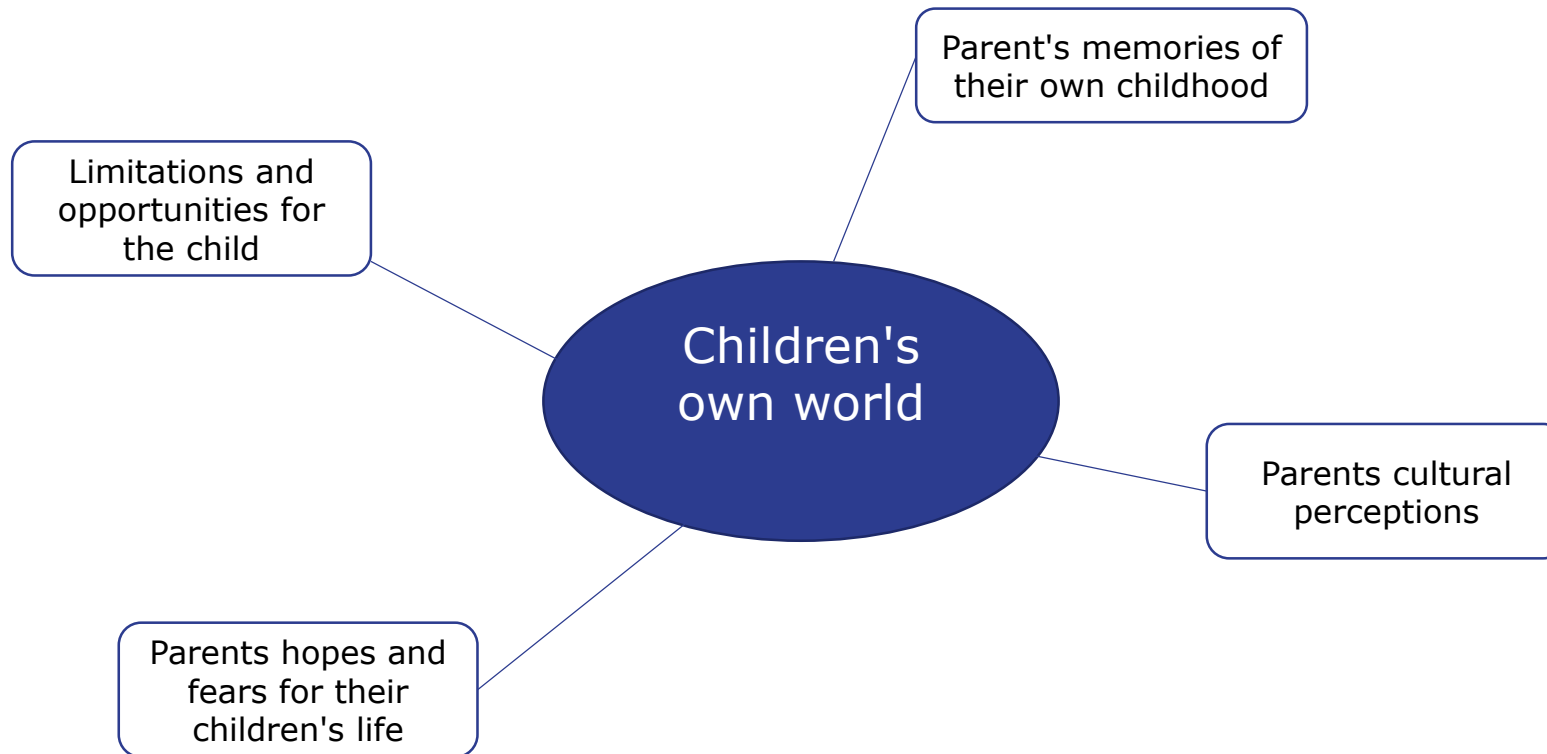
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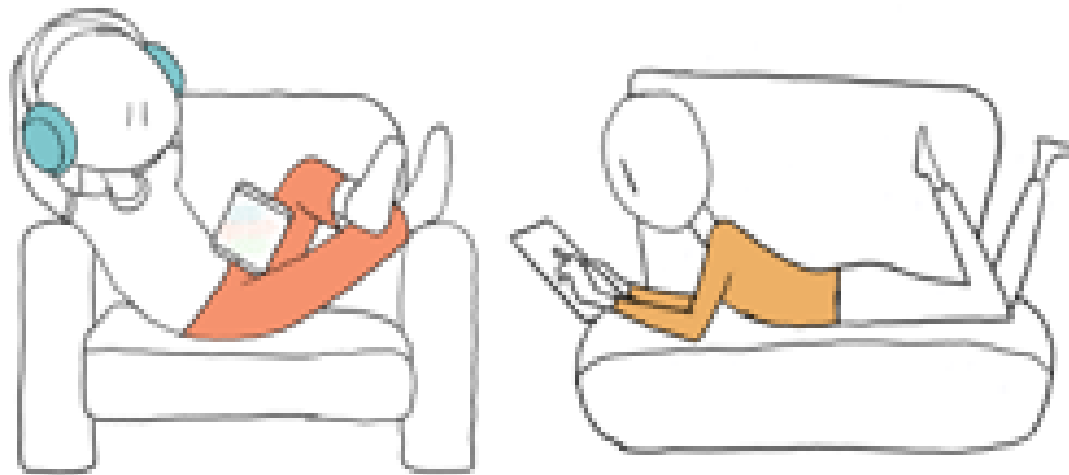
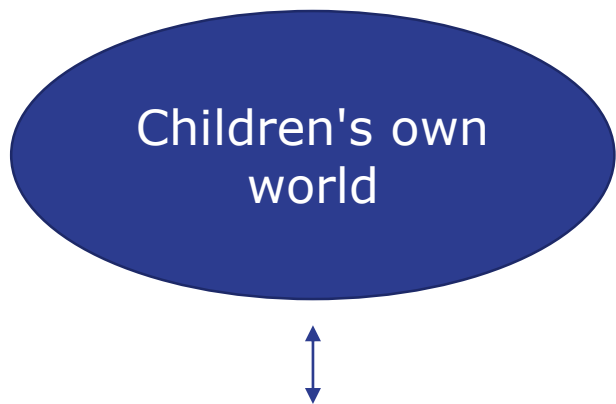
- Pros and cons of digital technology
- Types of use
- Rules and time use





# Digital childhood

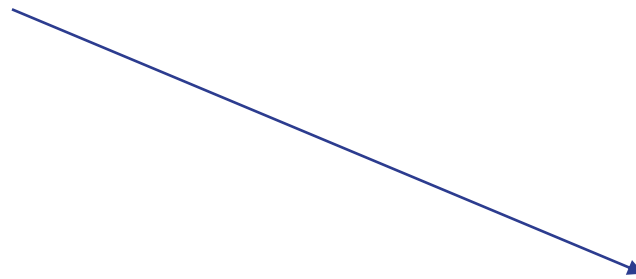




- Feeling digital competent or not
- Having digital preferences
- Using solo time on a device to relax
- Feeling lonely or not when siblings and parents are occupied on their devices
- Taking their own precautions to not get nightmare
- Feeling occupied by the devices

# Parental constructions:

- The differences
- The available devices
- Content
- Rules
- Time use
- Being social out in the world



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