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# ARRIVAL ACTIVITY

What influences your decisions around curriculum content in primary PE?

# **IMPLEMENTING LIFESTYLE SPORTS IN PRIMARY SCHOOLS**

**Dr Jordan Wintle**

# WORKSHOP AIMS

- To support participants in evaluating their current curriculum offer and identifying realistic opportunities to broaden activity experiences.
- To strengthen participants' understanding of lifestyle sports and their potential contribution to primary schools' PE and PA offer.
- To explore how lifestyle sports can be integrated purposefully and safely into existing primary PE curricula
- Think - Act - Change

# ANALYSING YOUR CURRENT OFFER

Take a Post-it note and write one activity per note that is currently in your primary PE curriculum.

Netball

Athletics

Gymnastics

FOOTBALL

Cricket

Dance



# MOVEMENT FORMS

(Durden-Myers *et al.*, 2018)

Movement form	Explanation and examples
Adventure	Focus on meeting risk and managing challenges within the natural and often unpredictable environments e.g. navigation, climbing, bushcraft.
Aesthetic and expressive	Activities where the embodied dimension is being used as an expressive instrument within a creative, aesthetic or artistic context e.g. gymnastics, dance, trampolining.
Athletic	Challenges placed on the embodied dimension to reach personal maximum power, distance, speed and accuracy often within the context of competition in a controlled environment e.g. athletics, cross country.
Competitive	Characterised by the outwitting of opponents both singularly and in teams, managing a variety of implements and objects, and coping with changing and challenging conditions and terrain to achieve predetermined goals e.g. football, netball, tennis, cricket, golf.
Fitness and health	Activities where the goal is to increase movement ability through repetition; focus on the 'body' function; gradual quantity change; and gradual quality change e.g. circuit training, gym-based training, yoga.
Interactive or relational	Activities where recognition that taking part in PA can be a social experience, founded on the empathy between people as they move together e.g. parkour, skate sports, cycling (BMX/MTB/Road) surfing, synchronized activities (swimming, diving, trampolining).

# ANALYSING YOUR CURRENT OFFER

Now, take the activities you had and put them into the categories from the previous slide.

Let's look at the balance across these movement forms.

What types of children does your curriculum cater for?

Netball

Athletics

Gymnastics

FOOTBALL

Cricket

Dance

# MEANINGFUL EXPERIENCES (Beni, et al., 2017)

**SOCIAL  
INTERACTION**

**CHALLENGE**

**MOTOR  
COMPETENCE**

**FUN**

**PERSONAL  
RELEVANCE**

**DELIGHT**

# LIFESTYLE SPORTS – THE WHAT & THE WHY

The background of the slide is a collage of various lifestyle sports. On the left, there's a vertical strip showing a person's legs in a blue kayak on water. In the center, there's a larger, semi-transparent dark grey box containing text, with a background image of a person in a blue kayak. To the right of the text box, there's a vertical strip showing a person's legs in a blue kayak on water. At the bottom, there's a horizontal strip showing a person's legs in a blue kayak on water.

Key features:

- Challenge to mainstream sport culture
- Embrace risk
- Self-organised
- High commitment, low regulation
- Strong social elements
- Identity and culture
- Strong ties with place and space



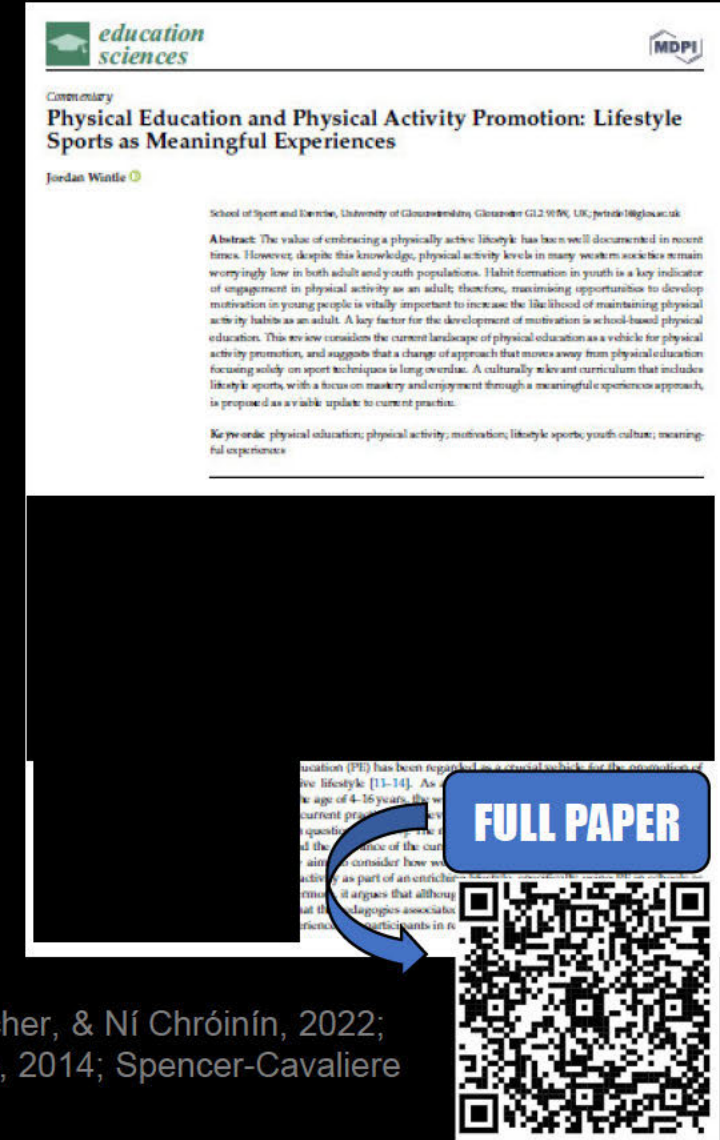
# PARKOUR IN PRIMARY PE



# NARRATIVE REVIEW – STUDY RATIONALE

- Schools and physical education are crucial sites for physical activity and habit formation.
- Current issues in physical education – disconnect, boredom, hatred, unbalanced curricula.
- A need to consider both the “what” and the “how” of physical education.
- The growth of lifestyle sports in society is not widely reflected in physical education curricula.
- A meaningful physical education approach offers us an avenue to more positive experiences for young people.

(Beaumont & Warburton, 2019; Beni et al., 2017; Durden-Myers & Whitehead, 2018; Engell et al., 2023; Fletcher, & Ní Chróinín, 2022; Hemingway, 2023; Hortigüela-Alcalá et al., 2021; Griggs & Fleet, 2021; Kirk, 2012; Ladwig et al., 2018; Lewis, 2014; Spencer-Cavaliere et al., 2012; Sullivan, 2021; Wintle, 2022)



# LIFESTYLE SPORTS IN PHYSICAL EDUCATION STUDY

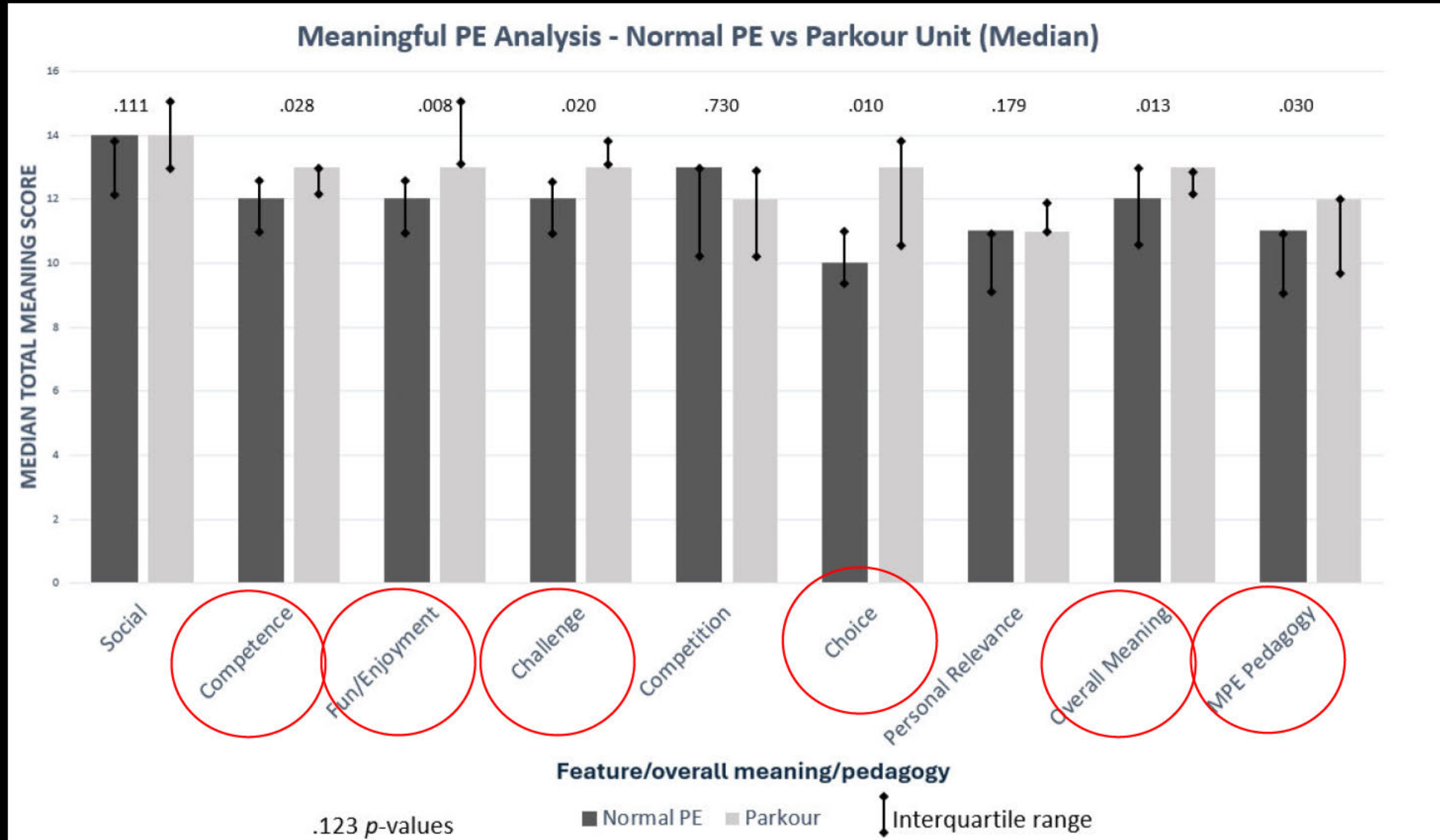
- Pragmatism – mixed methods action research
- Parkour and a cross-fit/kickboxing hybrid units
- Meaningful physical education pedagogies
- 2 schools – ~8 lessons per school
- 52 pupils (mixed gender), two teachers, one teacher-researcher

## Data sources:

1. Pre and post-unit pupil questionnaire
2. Teacher observations
3. Reflective journal
4. Pupil focus groups
5. Teacher interview

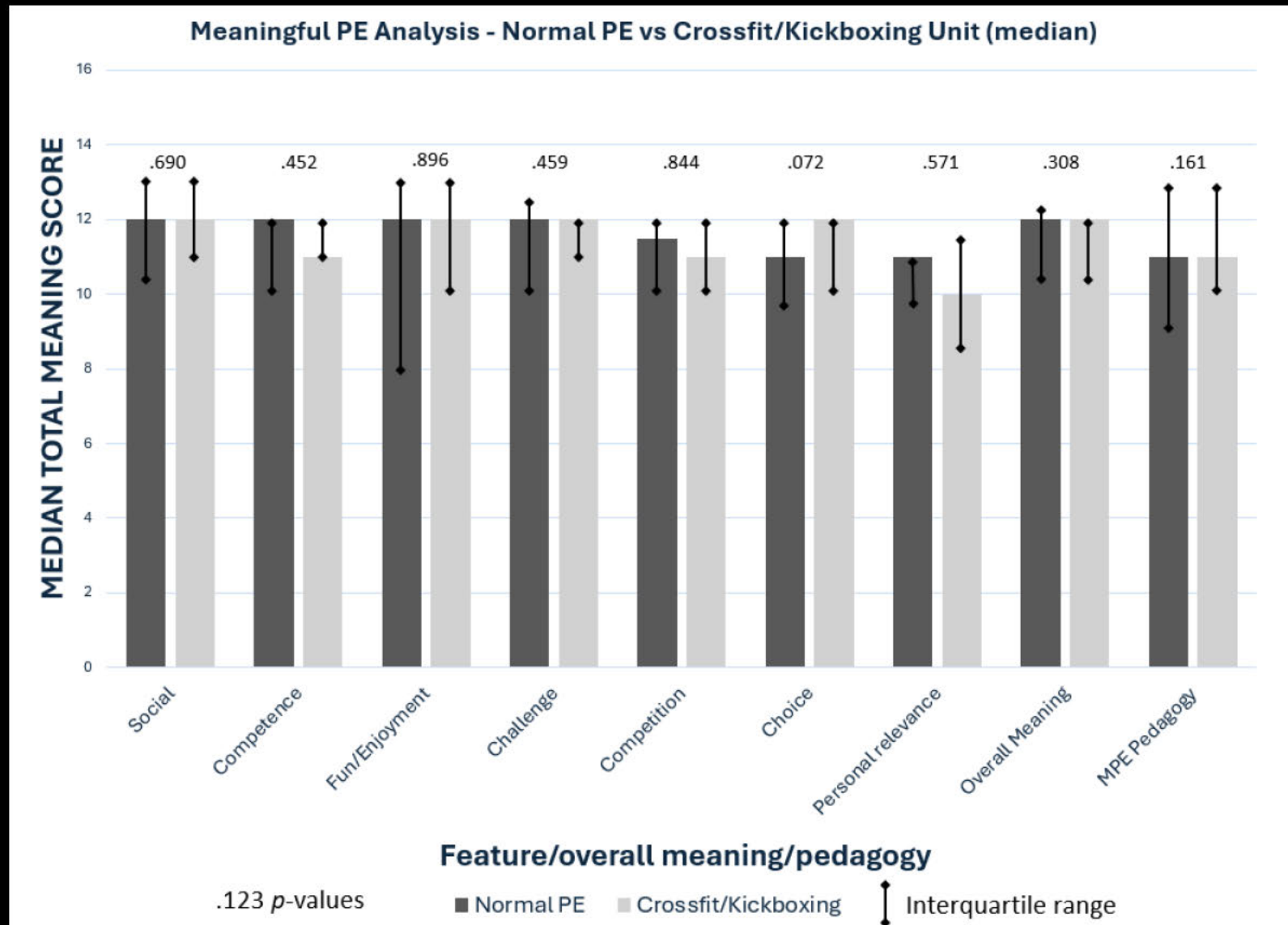
(Alder et al., 2019; Braun & Clarke, 2022; Casey et al., 2018; Clarke & Visser, 2019; Creswell & Plano Clark, 2018; Knott et al., 2022; Lin, 2016; Liamputtong, 2016; McNiff, 2017; Mertler, 2020; Proudfoot 2022; Rolfe, 2002; Siedman, 2006; Stenhouse, 1975; Vors & Bourcier, 2021)

# PARKOUR IN PHYSICAL EDUCATION STUDY



# **INSIDE THE CROSSFIT/KICKBOXING UNIT**

# CROSSFIT/KICKBOXING IN PHYSICAL EDUCATION STUDY



# CROSSFIT/KICKBOXING IN PHYSICAL EDUCATION STUDY

Feature/Pedagogy/ Overall Meaning	Number of pupils who reported higher scores (out of 27 pupils)	Number of Females with positive change (out of 15)	Female Only Wilcoxon (statistically significant $P = < 0.05^*$ ) Pre vs Post
Social	10	8	0.051
Competence	6	5	0.131
Fun/Enjoyment	11	9	0.198
Challenge	13	8	0.098
Competition	12	7	0.195
Choice	14	10	0.003*
Personal Relevance	10	7	0.200
Overall Meaning	6	5	0.333
MPE Pedagogy	16	11	0.003*

# KEY THEMES FROM PUPIL FOCUS GROUPS

The marmite of  
“normal” PE

Meaningful physical  
education

Diversification of the  
curriculum

Transition in approach

# PARKOUR IN PHYSICAL EDUCATION

Pupil feedback during focus groups

There's like a set standard in PE that you always have to achieve, but in parkour you do what you can do to your own ability.

I preferred the fun, enjoyment and the challenge aspects of parkour. I found it fun, and I also wanted to go a step further to challenge myself in the vault. I tried not to use my hands or legs to jump over it.

I really liked making our own parkour courses and deciding what we could do in the lesson.

# CROSSFIT/KICKBOXING IN PHYSICAL EDUCATION

Pupil feedback during focus groups

I would say it's like new and  
like, entertaining  
fresh sport  
haven't learnt  
and fun to

We had the freedom like there  
ity to do like the  
usually you  
it was like a,  
reat, in a way

## NOVELTY

### A new feature of meaningful PE?

In normal PE  
have freedom  
nice to have that freedom, yeah

meaningful  
m, it's way  
better than [normal] PE!

# THE TEACHERS' VIEWS

Potential for  
lifestyle sports




Barriers &  
enablers

Linking the activity  
with the approach

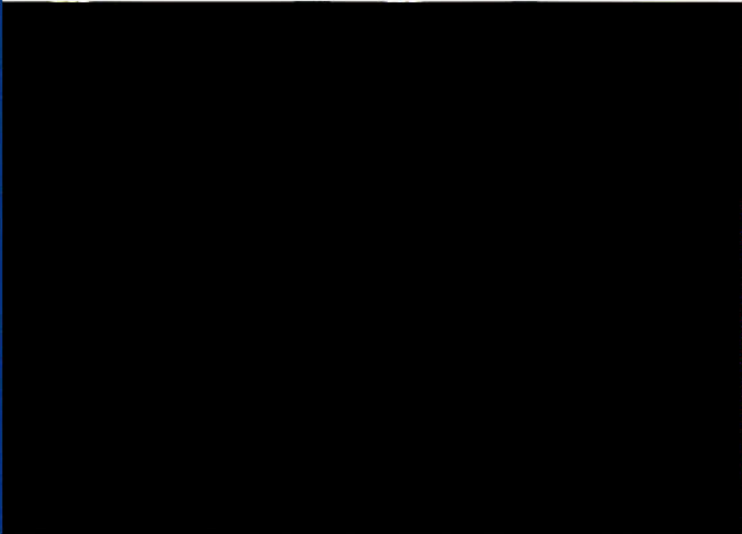
“I think it comes down to, erm, what you want to achieve as a department, and also moving with the times in that sense... and being open to trying it.”  
(Robert – interview)

“Some don't take to traditional sports at all, they don't like them, they don't really want to do them. Doing something like that [parkour] offers them a way of being physically active, it brings more enjoyment, they view it as something that they do more in their spare time”.  
(Poppy – interview)

# CPD & RESOURCES





## 1st 4 Sport Introductory CPD Award In Teaching Parkour & Freerunning



### Teacher's Course Booklet (Primary focus)


This booklet was co-designed with John Hall - Access Parkour - www.accessparkour.com







Year 6

## Parkour: developing confidence and creative movement

Download (.zip 15 MB) 


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### Lessons (6)

1

#### Travelling over equipment: vaulting


I can perform and link fundamental vaults over low obstacles with control and fluidity.

 2 Quizzes

2

#### Controlling the body: jumps and landings


I can perform take-offs and landings accurately and perform a variety of jumps with good technique.


 2 Quizzes

3

#### Controlling the body: balance and control

I can perform both static and dynamic balances on rails and benches showing accuracy, control and coordination.

 2 Quizzes



# CASE STUDY - CYCLING



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# REFLECTIONS & QUESTION

- One opportunity I see for lifestyle sports in my curriculum is...
- To enable this, I need to...
- One barrier...
- and one possible solution...