

STUDY OF POSTWAR LEISURE RESEARCH

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Four streams were presented on leisure study since World War II.
These are:

1. Study of public amusement which was started just after war and which has been continued until recently.
 - Public amusement had a tendency to be criticized before the World War II. However its meaning was pursued of the sound public amusement in due time. This stream was joined in the study of leisure.
2. Study of recreation which was descended from the prewar social welfare activity.
 - Recreation was studied to encourage the sound leisure activities after war. In 1960 so called the era of leisure it was forwarded to study the relationship between leisure and recreation. Recreation was studied systematic and some universities offered the lecture of recreation.
3. Study of recreation which was started at the same period as shortening of workload.
 - The study of mass leisure in USA was introduced into Japan. The study of public amusement and the study of recreation were considered to be the same stream as study of leisure. The survey of leisure activity has become very lively. "What is leisure for human being" was pursued at the field of study.
4. Study of play which was become prosperous at the same period as introduction of Hoizinha and Kaijowa.
 - "Homo Ludens" by Hoizinha and "Play and Human" by Kaijowa taught us the another field of "play"

Another studies have been realized such as relationship between leisure and recreation, play and labor. Those studies have not been matured enough so far.