

Baduk Passport

The go player passport was used and tested at the Grenoble Go School (France) in 2022-2023. It is not only a tracking tool but also a motivational one for our students.



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The Passport comes in the form of an A6 paper booklet of 32 pages.

- The first page is an introduction page where the student notes their personal go informations.
- The following pages contain informations about the game of go and its universe (associations, internet, youth...).
- Then comes the part for validating rank by stamp.
- Finally there are pages for advices, self evaluation and performances.

It is distributed free to each student at the start of the school year ("Back to school kit") and will follow them throughout their career as a player.



RANK AND BADGES



The main advantage of this Passport is the tracking using a "Go School" stamp that allows validating children's level passages to their "new animal".

These levels are linked to the awarding of a corresponding badge to the students during a small ceremony that we hold on average every two months when one or more students have passed a stage.

Below 30 kyu the levels are quick to obtain to motivate children and depend on the assimilation of simple principles: capturing, territory, a basic life and death test and counting.

Above 30 kyu levels are obtained normally according to the French and European Go Rating by playing tournament.

BENEFITS



For children (about 30 at the Go School) it is a strong moment that symbolises the realisation of their efforts and where everyone congratulates them. They also bring badges with them at school and at tournaments so they can show their pride.

- Ease for the teacher to make quick pairing or groups of levels for lessons or tournaments.
- Motivational back-to-school kit for children that encourages more serious commitment: one passport, one first badge, one go club t-shirt and one go problems book link to their levels.
- Customisation of the young player's career and creation of memories, progress visualization.
- Link with parents, in particular non-players, with the progress of their child and the understanding of the specificities related to go.

NETWORK AND CONNECTIONS



- Animal Cup : the two biggest go schools in France (Grenoble & Rennes) organised a challenge based on animal types.
- Deployment of the kit (Passports & Badges) in France with the support of the French Go Federation. Provision of tools and support for teachers.

WHAT ELSE AND WHAT'S NEXT ?

- New collection of go problems following grades (edition Board N'Stones)
- Multilingual translation
- Creating a teacher's kit with the tools (material or dematerialised with printing instructions) and a user guide.

