

Date of the seminar: November 7, 2007

Number of the participants: 52

Number of survey participants: 45

Aims of the event:

- inform the teachers of English of Biysk and Biysk neighborhoods about some of the Web 2.0 tools which can be used for teaching foreign languages
 - study the needs for organizing a number of workshops on Internet technology in teaching and the motivation of the teachers to participate in such workshops.
- Prepare a plan for further actions.

Aim of the survey: study participants' background in the sphere of using Internet technologies and their motivation for learning more in this field

Figure 1. Which of the listed tools do you know?

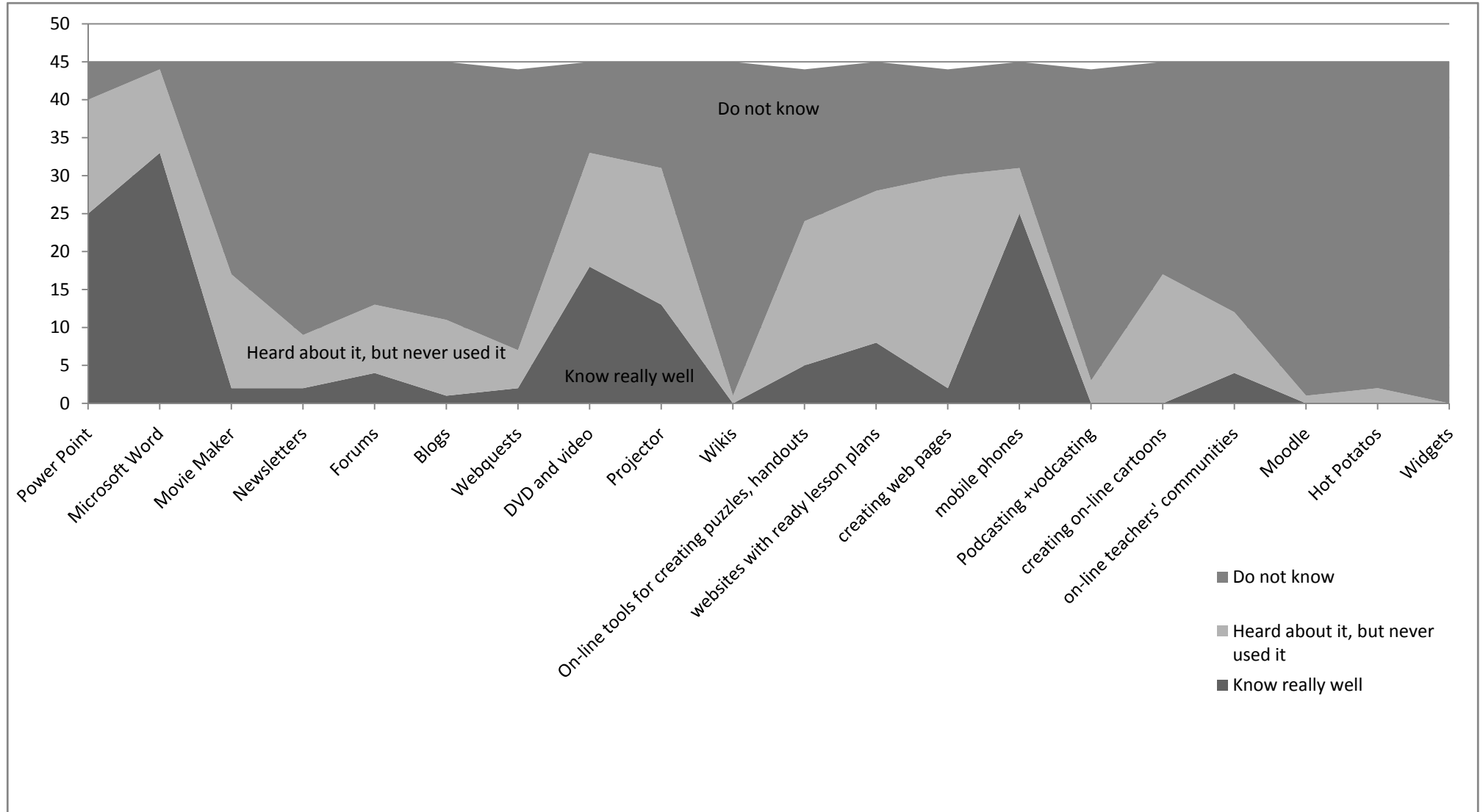


Figure 2. Which of the listed tools do you use in class?

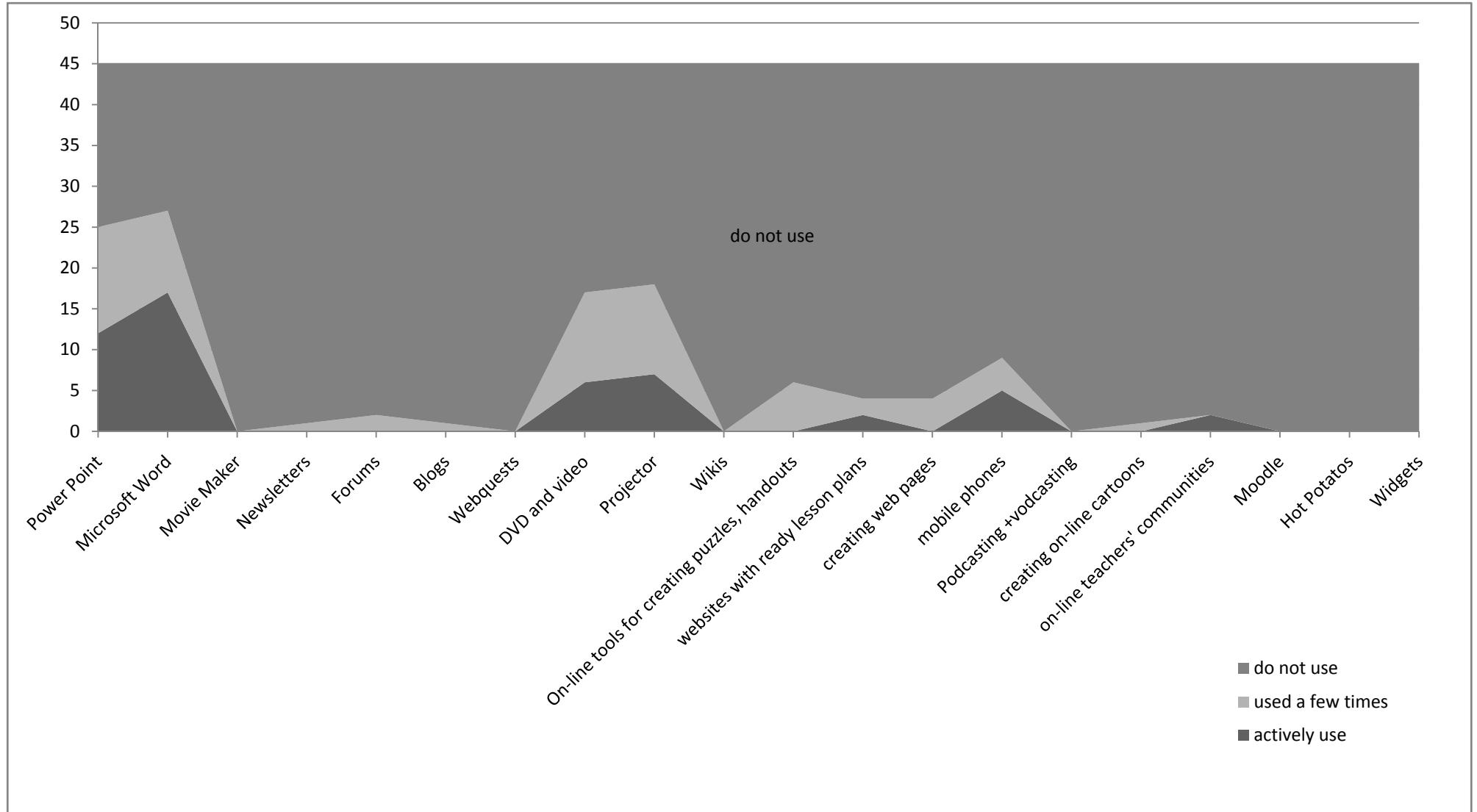


Figure 3. How often do you use the Internet for self-education?

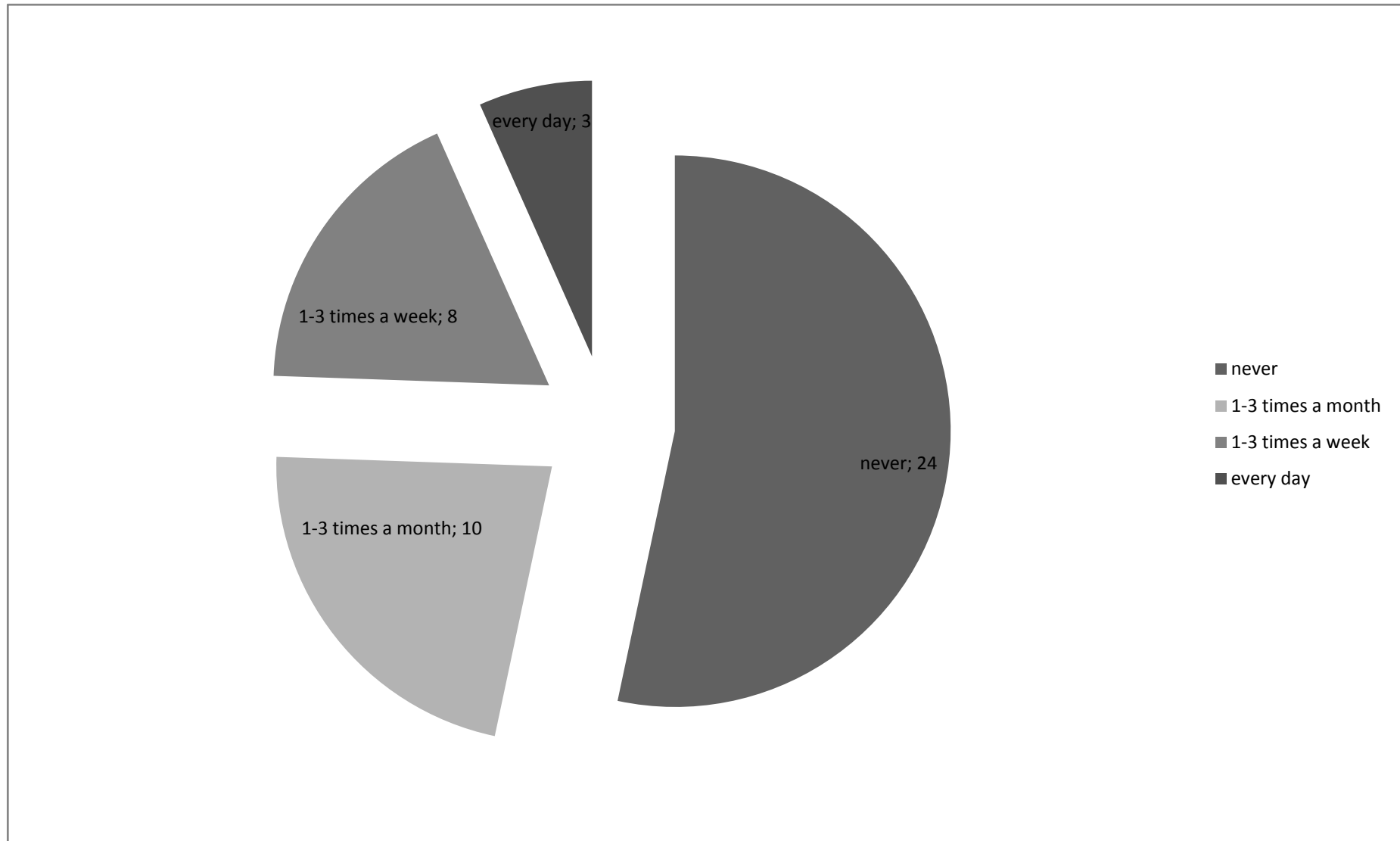
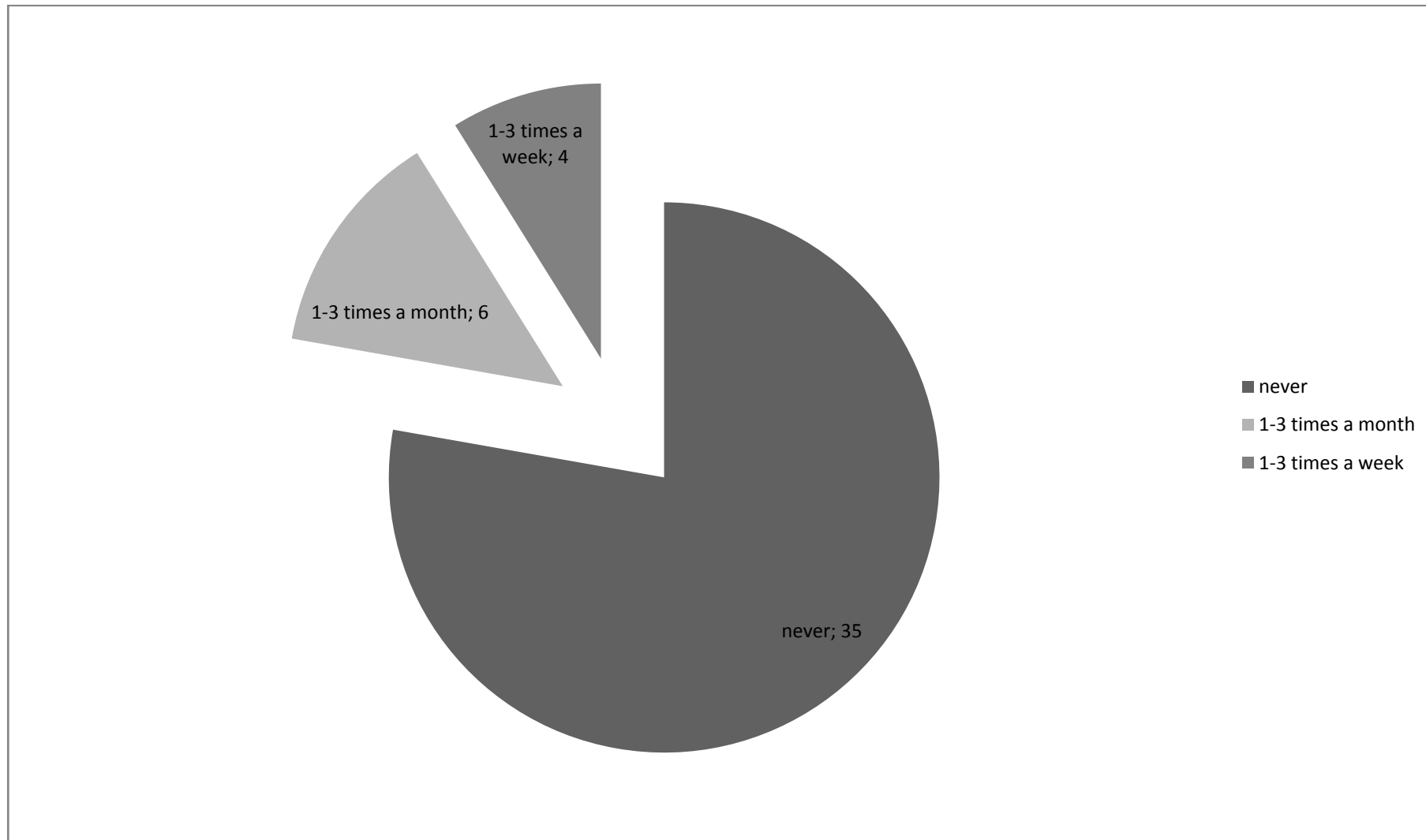


Диаграмма 4. Как часто вы используете Интернет за занятиях?



Data Analysis

Survey analysis demonstrated the following:

1. Teachers are more willingly using the Internet for private purposes rather than in class.
2. Computer and Internet technologies are rarely used in class. For example, only 12 teachers (26% of the respondents) actively use Power Point in their teaching, 13 people (28.8% of the respondents) used it a few times, which totals 25 teachers (55.5% of the respondents).
3. There is a need as well as the motivation to conduct a number of workshops to introduce Biysk English teachers to using Internet technologies in the classroom – 100% of the respondents marked they wanted to take part in such workshops

It is recommended to do the following to increase the efficiency of the workshops:

1. Divide the participants into groups according to their technical skills
2. Secure the means for out-of-class communication in order the participants had a chance to ask questions and request help of the instructor. An on-line forum <http://biyskteachers.freeforums.org> has already been created for this purpose, but apart from that, it is necessary to provide a list of participants' e-mails to the teacher
3. Control the usage of technologies by the participants. A wiki <http://biyskenglishteachers.pbwiki> has been set up so that the teachers could report on their work and results. Besides, the survey should be repeated in a number of months in order to obtain an objective evaluation of the efficiency of the workshops