

PART I: ACCESS TO INFORMATION FROM WRITTEN TEXTS (70 points)

פרק ראשון: הבנת הנקרא (70 נקודות) الفصل الأول: فهم المقروء (70 درجة)

קרא את הקטע שלפניך, וענה על

אقرأ القطعة التي أمامك، وأجب عن

שאלות 8-1 שאחריה.

الأسئلة 8-1 التي تليها.

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15 Since then, instead of one small igloo for the exhibition, the owners build a large hotel every year. They begin to work on it in March. First, workers cut out 5,000 tons of ice from the river and keep it in freezers. Then, in November, a hundred workers start building the hotel. Ten weeks later the Ice Hotel is ready for its first guests of the year.

(שים לב: המשך הקטע בעמוד הבא.)

(انتبه: تكلمة القطعة في الصفحة التالية.)

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- 20 The hotel has 65 rooms. The temperature in the rooms is -5°C . To get a good night's rest guests have to sleep in sleeping bags and wear gloves and hats all the time. Although it is a little uncomfortable, they say it is a very special experience. Guests can eat at the hotel's excellent restaurant, participate in winter sports and even go to an overnight outdoor camp.
- 25 The town expects that 50,000 visitors will come to see the hotel this year. It is open from January until April. After that, as the temperature rises, the beautiful ice building slowly melts and nothing is left but water.

- ענה באנגלית על שאלות 1-8, על פי הקטע. בשאלות 1, 2, 3, ר-3, הקף את המספר של התשובה הנכונה. בשאר השאלות ענה לפי ההוראות. (70 נקודות)
- أجب بالإنجليزية عن الأسئلة 1-8، حسب القطعة. في الأسئلة 1 و 2 و 3 ضع دائرة حول رقم الإجابة الصحيحة. في الأسئلة الباقية، أجب حسب التعليمات. (70 درجة)

Answer questions 1-8 in English according to the text. In questions 1, 2 and 3, circle the number of the correct answer. In the other questions, follow the instructions.

1. What do we learn about the hotel in lines 1-8?
- Who the owners of the hotel are.
 - Why the hotel is in a small village.
 - Why its owners rebuild it every year.
- (7 points)
2. Why did the villagers organize an art exhibition? (lines 9-14)
- They wanted visitors to come in the winter.
 - They wanted more people to come to fish.
 - They wanted guests to come to the hotel.
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3. How did the villagers get the idea for the ice hotel? (lines 9-14)

- i) They saw an ice hotel at the exhibition.
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4. COMPLETE THE SENTENCE. (lines 15-19)

Every year in March,

(8 points)

5. What does the writer say "is a little uncomfortable"? Give ONE answer. (lines 20-24)

ANSWER:

(8 points)

6. Give ONE example of what guests can do at the Ice Hotel. (lines 20-24)

ANSWER:

(8 points)

7. PUT A ✓ BY THE TWO CORRECT ANSWERS.

What do we learn about the hotel in lines 20-27?

- i) How much a room costs.
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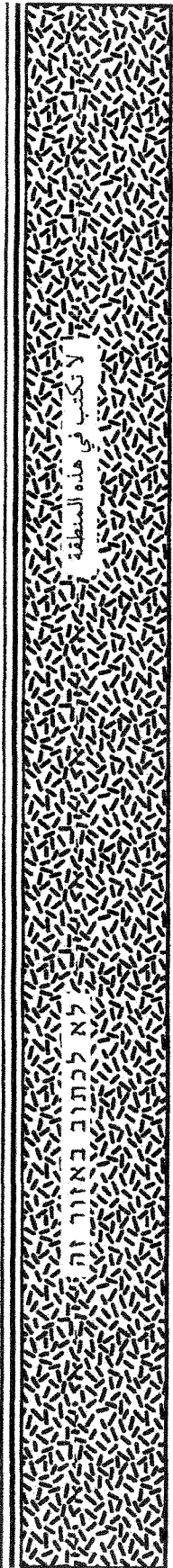
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8. Why does the hotel close in April? (lines 25-27)

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ANSWER: Because in April the temperature rises and the ice melts.

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