

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

פרק ראשון: הבנת הנקרא (70 נקודות) **الفصل الأول: فهم المقروء (70 درجة)**  
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Answer questions 1-7 in English according to the article. In questions 1, 3 and 5, circle the number of the correct answer. In the other questions, follow the instructions.

1. What do we learn in lines 1-3?  
i) Where Robbie was spending the afternoon.  
ii) What Robbie brought with him.  
iii) Why Robbie's mother helped him climb.  
iv) How long it took Robbie to get to the top.  
(8 points)
2. What makes an adventure playground different from a traditional one?  
Give ONE answer. (lines 4-6)  
ANSWER: .....  
(8 points)
3. What attracts kids to the adventure playground? (lines 4-12)  
i) They can play with sharp nails.  
ii) They enjoy swings and slides.  
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4. PUT A ✓ BY THE TWO CORRECT ANSWERS. (lines 10-15).

How do parents make sure the kids are safe in the adventure playground?

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- ..... i) take away dangerous things
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(2x7=14 points)

5. Why is Shelly mentioned in line 19? (lines 16-20)

- i) She created something new.
- ii) She comes to the playground often.
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6. According to Marsha Clark, what is hard for parents?  
(lines 21-24)

ANSWER: .....

(8 points)

7. Why is it important for children to play in an adventure playground? Give  
TWO answers, ONE from lines 7-9 and ONE from lines 21-24.

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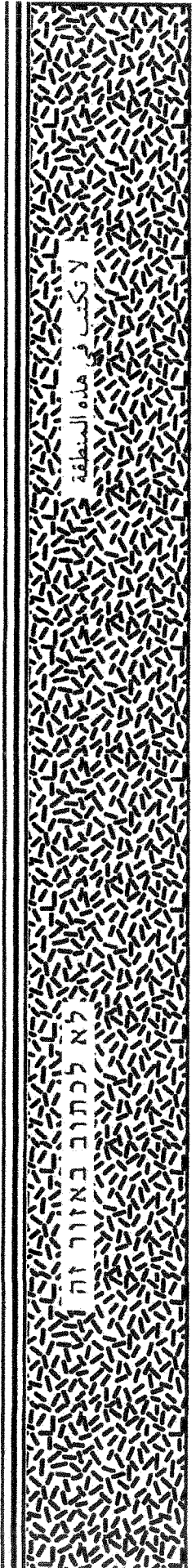
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