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Bildungsdirektion



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Englisch

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Die Expertin / der Experte:

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TASK 1 READING

How to build child-parent relationships through play

Play is good for children in numerous ways; it improves healthy brain and body development, play aids learning, better social, emotional and creative skills, and sets the course for adulthood – it's even linked to improved academic achievement and better lifelong learning results.

“Play is about children participating in positive and active experiences; they're discovering the world by touching, feeling and sensing things around them,” says Bo Stjerne Thomsen, vice-president at the LEGO Foundation.

Play isn't just for kids; parents benefit¹ too. Before the pandemic, business owner and father of two, Ben Veal, considered himself “the very definition” of a weekend dad. Due to the pandemic changing his working life, he spent more time playing with his sons, and believes he is a calmer, happier and more involved parent as a result. “I've had the chance to appreciate just how brilliant and imaginative kids are,” he says. “And I've been there for the small moments of joy that I would have missed before.”

It's vital that children experience different types of play – from physical movement to creative play – all support development in different ways. Healthy childhood development involves five key areas – physical, creative, cognitive², social and emotional development – and each area benefits from play activities.

Physical play, such as balancing, dancing, and building objects, helps develop focus, as well as the skills needed to understand mathematical concepts. Symbolic play, such as using household items to make music, encourages language skills, while pretend play involves the ability to imagine that things could be different, which builds resilience³. Creative play, be that with stones, sand or paint, has been especially important during the pandemic because it's “about our ability to understand our feelings”, says Thomsen, which helps regulate emotion.

Play also provides stress relief and improves wellbeing, which is why encouraging children to learn through play is so important. “A playful approach gives us a different perspective on everyday life and creates opportunities to see alternatives and apply more flexible thinking,” says Thomsen. Ultimately, play is our best resource for family bonding, according to Shonkoff. “Play is a wonderful way for parents and children to get to know each other – for children to learn about human relationships and for parents to learn about what is special and unique about each child.”

Source: <https://www.theguardian.com/building-blocks-for-a-better-world/2021/jun/21/its-about-supporting-their-curiosity-how-to-build-child-parent-relationships-through-play>

¹ to benefit = to profit

² cognitive = geistig

³ resilience = Belastbarkeit

TASK 1a

- Read the text and then decide if the following statements are **True (T)** or **False (F)**.
- If there is not enough information to answer **True** or **False**, choose **Doesn't say (DS)**.

Example:

Text: Sarah is in her twenties. T **F** DS
 Statement: Sarah is 18 years old.

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| 1. Play improves children's physical and mental development. | T | F | DS |
| 2. According to Ben Veal, neither parents nor kids profit from play. | T | F | DS |
| 3. Ben Veal was able to spend more time with his kids before the pandemic. | T | F | DS |
| 4. Ben Veal is shocked by how little other parents spend time with their children. | T | F | DS |
| 5. The more types of play children experience, the better children develop in various ways. | T | F | DS |
| 6. Symbolic play stimulates language skills in children. | T | F | DS |
| 7. Creative play was particularly important before the pandemic because it allowed to regulate emotions. | T | F | DS |
| 8. Play allows parents to discover who they are. | T | F | DS |
| 9. Thomsen believes that play helps children to gain perspectives on daily matters in life and to see alternatives. | T | F | DS |
| 10. According to Shonkoff, play is one of the best resources for family bonding. | T | F | DS |

Points: ____/10

TASK 1b

- Read the text and find the underlined word matching the synonym.
- If the word you need is a verb write the **infinitive** of the verb, if it is a plural noun, write the **singular** of the noun.

Example:

The king was very popular.
 Synonym: widely liked Word in text: popular

- | <u>Synonym:</u> | <u>Word in text:</u> |
|-----------------|----------------------|
| 1. ability | _____ |
| 2. to help | to _____ |
| 3. method | _____ |
| 4. to offer | to _____ |
| 5. performance | _____ |

Points: ____/5

TASK 2 WRITING

Have you ever given someone the wrong advice¹? What was the situation and why was it wrong? Write a short text of about 60 words.

Content: ____/3

Vocabulary: ____/6

Grammar: ____/6

Points: ____/15

¹ advice *n.* = Ratschlag

TASK 3

Complete the text with the correct form of the word in brackets or with a suitable word/phrase if no word is given.

Example: *I haven't met any (some) of my friends yet.*

1. She _____ (do) boxing before she decided to concentrate on martial art.
2. My dog is hungry. It is eating its food very _____ (noise).
3. Some years ago, he bought a very expensive watch. Now he is in _____ (possess) of a precious piece.
4. Last holiday I _____ (go) to the club every night.
5. Sabrina now enjoys _____ (be) back home with her family.
6. The food in France tastes so delicious. I must say I have never had anything as good. It is the _____ (good) food ever.
7. You are going to watch a Netflix season later, _____ you?
8. My grandmother used to have a farm with cows and horses, ducks and _____ (goose).
9. I _____ (talk) on the phone when the doorbell suddenly rang.
10. Have you _____ (do) your homework yet?

Points: _____/10

TASK 4

Complete the second sentence so that it has a similar meaning to the first sentence. The words need not be the same.

Example:

- 0) *Our intercity train is longer than our regional one.*
*Our regional train is not **as long as** our intercity.*

1. Even though he is 57 he has started doing a degree course.
_____ being 57 he has started doing a degree course.
2. The Swiss National team trained every day for the Olympics and did well.
Thanks to the _____ training the Swiss National team did well at the Olympics.
3. The Swiss Volleyball team were not as good as the Japanese team.
The Swiss Volleyball team were _____ than the Japanese one.
4. Riding a bike is healthy.
It is healthy for you _____ a bike.
5. Simon has decided to attend today's demonstration.
Simon is _____ attend the demonstration today.
6. The press has just announced that the Street Parade will not take place.
The press has made an _____ that the Street Parade will not take place.
7. We're eating Paella for lunch.
We have never _____ Paella before.
8. They don't sell Appenzell Cheese in our local grocery.
Appenzell Cheese is not _____ in our local grocery.
9. This great swimming pool is ours.
This great swimming pool belongs to _____ .
10. Our environment is facing many challenges at the moment.
At the moment our environment is facing a _____ of challenges.

Points: ____/10