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A. Vocabulary –

1. combination – שילוב
2. shaped – מעוצב
3. field – שדה מגרש
4. goal post – עמדת שער
5. offense – התקפה
6. toward – לקראת
7. defense – הגנה
8. score points – לקלוע נקודות
9. professional – מקצועי
10. prove – להוכיח
11. may have… - ייתכן ש, אולי
12. performance – הופעה

Complete the sentences using the words above.

1. You think I can't do it? Let me _____ I can!

2. The best _____ football players start playing when they are young.

3. The accident happened because of the _____ of two mistakes.

4. I thought (לחשוב-זמן עבר) his English was bad. He is in London now, I think he _____ studied English better.

B. Reading Comprehension – The Most Popular Sport in America

Listen to the text:

Can you guess the most popular sport in America? It's not baseball or basketball. It's football!

Football was first played in the 1860s. It started as a combination of soccer and rugby. In football, two teams play against each other. They play using a ball that is shaped like an oval. The teams play on a field that

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has a goal post at each end. Eleven players from one team are on "offense." They try to move the ball toward one of the goal posts. They do this by throwing and catching the ball. They can also do this by running with the ball. Eleven players from the other team are on "defense." They try to stop the team on offense from moving the ball. If the team on offense gets the ball all the way to one end of the field, that team scores points! The team with the most points after sixty minutes wins the game.

There are thirty-two teams in professional football. At the end of the football season, each team tries to prove that it is the best by winning the last game of the year. That game is called the Super Bowl. You may have heard of it. You may have even watched it. A lot of people watch the Super Bowl to see which football team wins. A lot of other people watch it to see the musical performance that happens in the middle of the game. The Super Bowl is so popular that it is the most watched television program in the country!

C – Questions:

1. *According to (לפי) the text, what is the most popular sport in America?

A. baseball

B. soccer

C. football

2. What does the text *describe (לתאר)?

A. how soccer and rugby *were combined (שולבו) to create football

B. *some of (חלק מ-) the most famous football teams of all time

C. what teams do when they play football against each other

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3. People can watch the Super Bowl for different *reasons (סיבות). What *information (מידע) from the text *supports (תומך) this *statement(טענה) ?

A. "A lot of people watch the Super Bowl to see which football team wins. A lot of other people watch it to see the musical performance that happens in the middle of the game."

B. "At the end of the football season, each team tries to prove that it is the best by winning the last game of the year. That game is called the Super Bowl."

C. "In football, two teams play against each other. They play using a ball that is shaped like an oval. The teams play on a field that has a goal post at each end."

4. *Based on (מבוסס על) the text, what are two teams playing football against each other doing *throughout (במשך) a game?

A. *switching (להחליף) between "offense" and "defense"

B. playing *either (אחד מהשנים ,או) "offense" or "defense" the *entire (כל, שלם) game

C. running around in circles and racing each other

5. What is the *main idea (רעיון מרכזי) of this text?

A. A lot of people watch the Super Bowl to see which football team wins. A lot of other people watch it to see the musical performance that happens in the middle of the game.

B. In football, two teams play against each other. They play using a ball that is shaped like an oval. The teams play on a field that has a goal post at each end. One team is on "offense" while the other is on "defense."

C. Football, the most popular sport in America, is played between two teams that are trying to score the most points during a

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game. The last game of the football season is the most watched television program in the country.

D – Writing –

Write about your favorite sport (50-60 words). You can write about:

- Why do you like it?
- How often do you play it?
- With who do you play it with?
- When did you start playing it?

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