



## PART TWO

I also noticed the way the people of Lopburi treat the monkeys. They are kind to them and make sure that they are not hungry. In the beginning, I found this attitude<sup>1</sup> a bit strange. Why would these people care so much about the monkeys? After all<sup>2</sup>, they are quite scary and they often steal things.

5 I asked my friend Aroon, who owns a small business in the center of town. He explained that the people of Lopburi admire the monkeys because of a famous story that happened many centuries ago. It is about Prince Rama and it tells how monkeys helped him save<sup>3</sup> his wife from a horrible monster.

10 They take care of the monkeys and once a year, every November, they honor<sup>4</sup> them by having a monkey festival. They believe that these monkeys will bring them good luck, like they did for Prince Rama.

<sup>1</sup>attitude נחמה / מופק

<sup>2</sup>after all אחרי הכול / פי הסהיה

<sup>3</sup>save להציל / ינקד

<sup>4</sup>honor נחנים כבוד / יחטרמון

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Answer the questions for the part/s you read.

### Part One

- Choose which sentence is NOT true. Then correct it.
  - The festival takes place once a year.
  - All the people in Lopburi go a little crazy on the festival.
  - The first thing you notice in town are the people.
- What does the writer say about the monkeys? Write one positive (חיובי / ייגאבי) thing and one negative (שלילי / סלבי) thing.
- What is special about the festival? Choose the correct answer.
  - They have it once a year.
  - They prepare food especially for monkeys.
  - They put food on long tables.
  - It is in the city of Lopburi.
- The writer says "I hope they have one today". What does he hope to see?

### Part Two

- What was the writer's opinion about monkeys before he spoke to Aroon?
  - He didn't understand why people were kind to them.
  - He thought they bring good luck.
  - He thought they were amazing.
  - He thought they were funny.
- Complete the sentence.  
Aroon told the writer the story of Prince Rama to explain why ...