## **The Playground**

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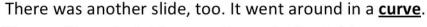
They were excited because they were getting a playground.

The town never had a playground before.

The new playground looked fun!

There was a tall ladder to climb up.

Then you could take the slide **down**. It was very fast.



You could go straight across the swinging bridge.

The monkey bars were **above** the ground. You need strong arms for them.

There was a tunnel to crawl through <u>under</u> the slide.

In <u>front</u> of the monkey bars there was a tower to climb.

In the **back** of the monkey bars there was a wheel to turn.

If you climbed the stairs, you could go <u>left</u> to the fireman's pole. You could also go <u>right</u> to the rope ladder.

On the swings you could get pushed very <u>high</u>!

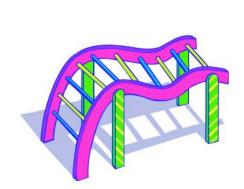
There were also see-saws that could take you very low.

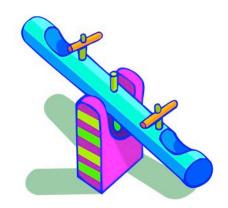
The playground was so fun now!

All the kids enjoyed it.

There were so many things to do.

Everyone wanted to play.





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