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Allow students, in groups or individually, to examine the photograph located at the above link while answering the questions below in order. The questions are designed to guide students into a deeper analysis of the source and sharpen associated cognitive skills.

Level 1: Description

1. What is happening in this photograph?
2. What kind of playground equipment do you see?
3. What type of clothing are the children wearing?

Level 2: Interpretation

1. When do you think this photograph might have been taken? Why?
2. What potential dangers do you see in the photograph?
3. Do the children appear to be enjoying the playground equipment?

Level 3: Analysis

1. What does the photograph tell you about the region/season?
2. Why do you think the children seem to be dressed differently from one another?
3. Explain how your playground is the same and different from the one in the photograph?

