



Playground Safety: Lessons From The UK

Chapeltown



MOTHER: Vicky aged eight in 1979 was allowed to walk to the swimming pool alone half a mile away.

ROTHERHAM

Grenoside



SON: Ed, now eight is only allowed to walk on his own to the end of his street (300 yards).

Concord Park



SHEFFIELD

GRANDFATHER: Jack aged eight in 1950. Able to walk about one mile on his own to the woods.

GREAT-GRANDFATHER: George aged eight in 1919. Allowed to walk six miles to go fishing

M1

Moorgate

M1

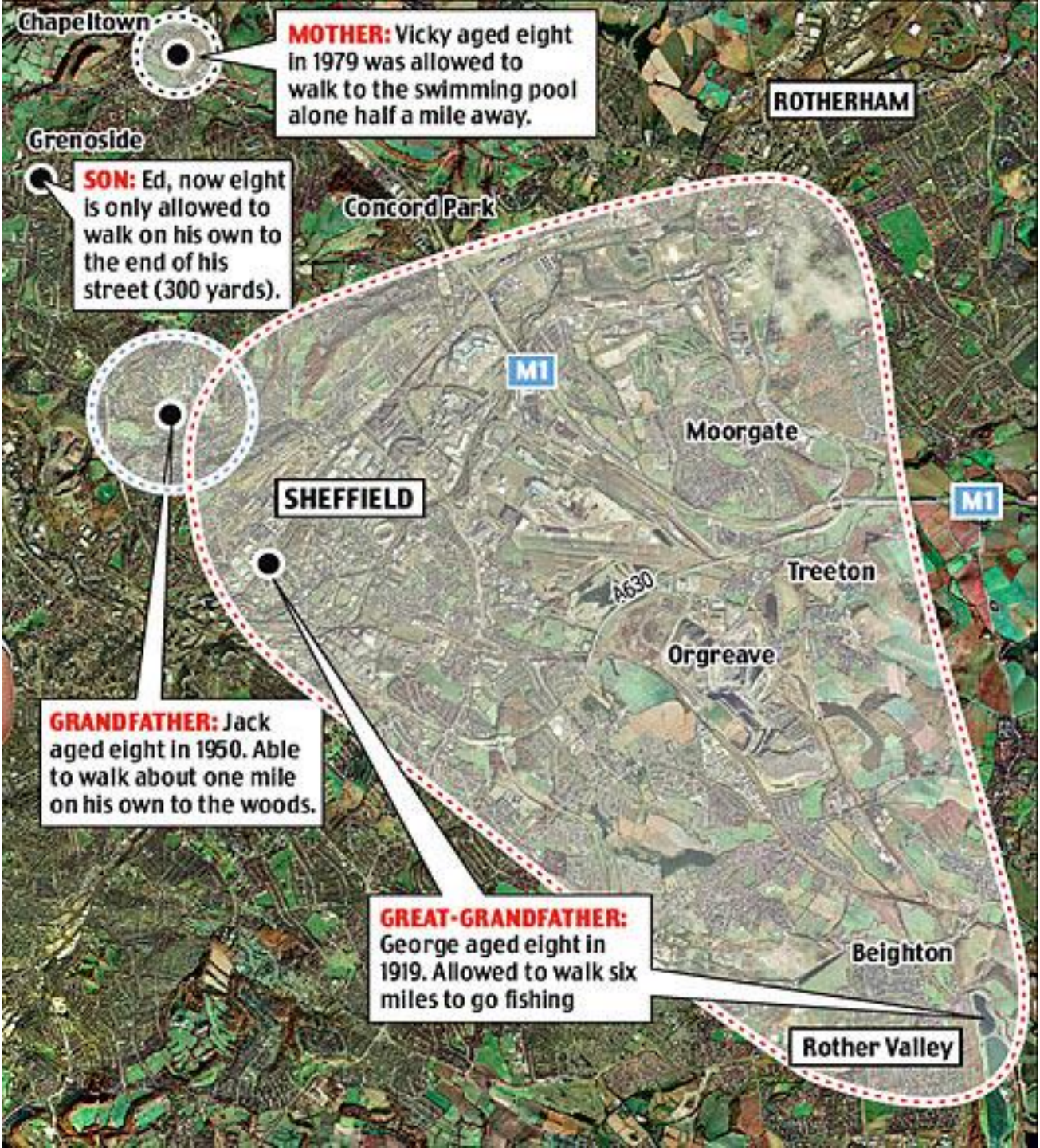
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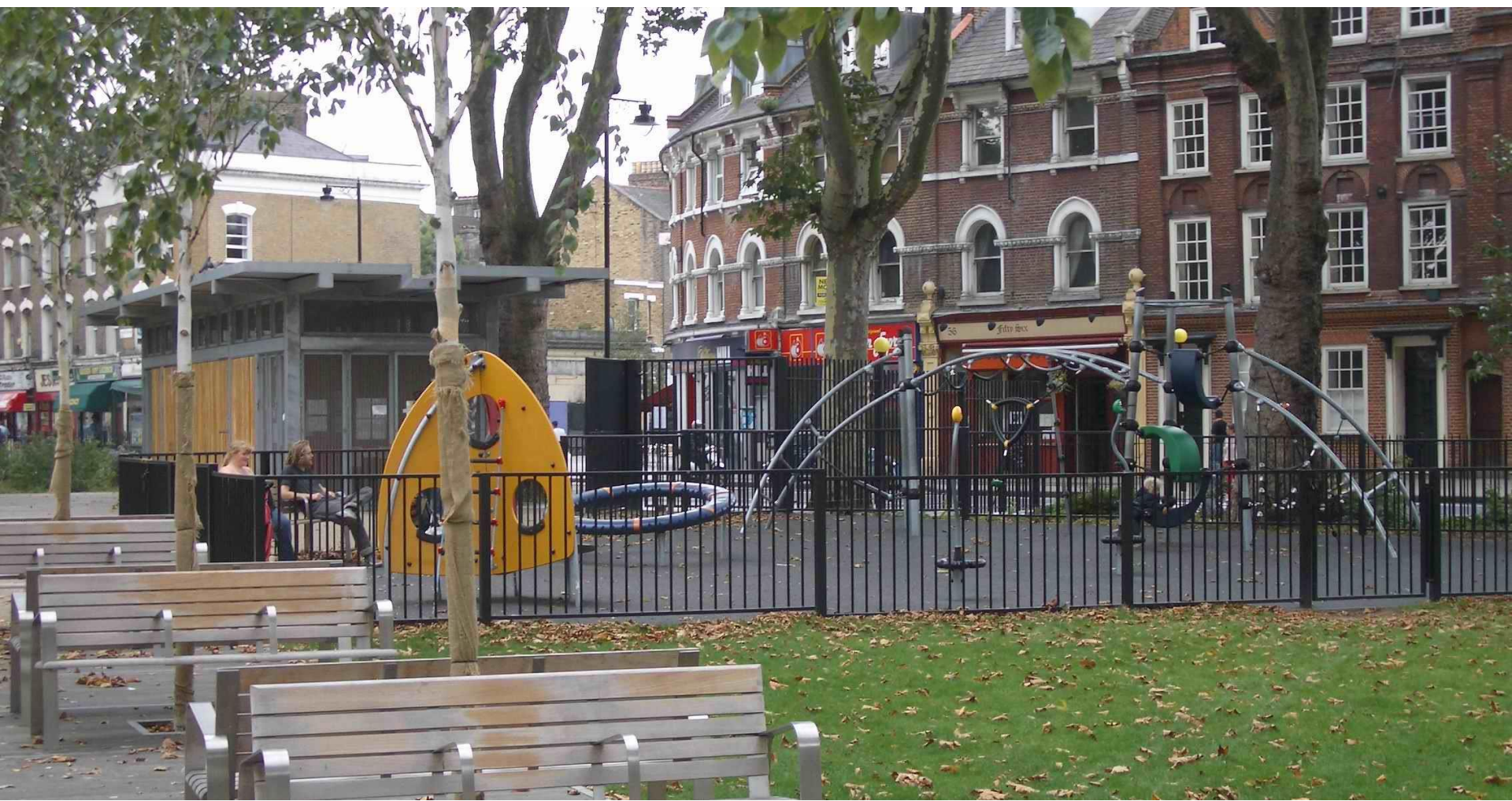
Orgreave

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Rother Valley







Newington Green, Islington







The KFC Playground

- **K**it
- **F**ence
- **C**arpet











— Trim Trail Rules —

We follow the one-way system.

We go carefully along the trail.

**We are always
sensible.**

**We use the Trim Trail when there
is a grown up from school with us.**

We wear sensible shoes.

We wait our turn.

**We use the Trim Trail in
good weather.**

We do not go the wrong way.

We do not rush.

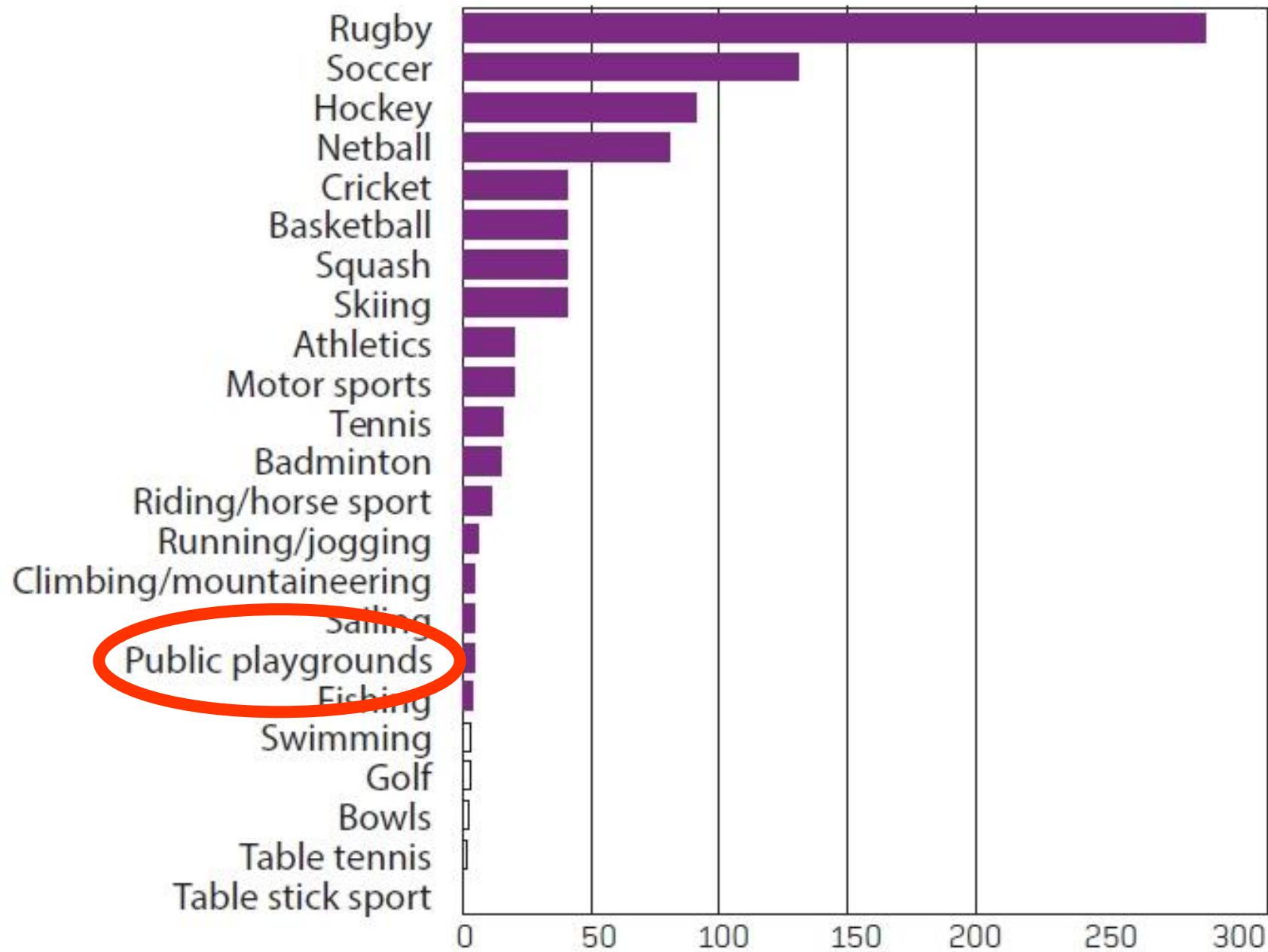
**We do not climb on the top
bars or twist the ropes.**

**We do not go on the Trim
Trail on our own.**

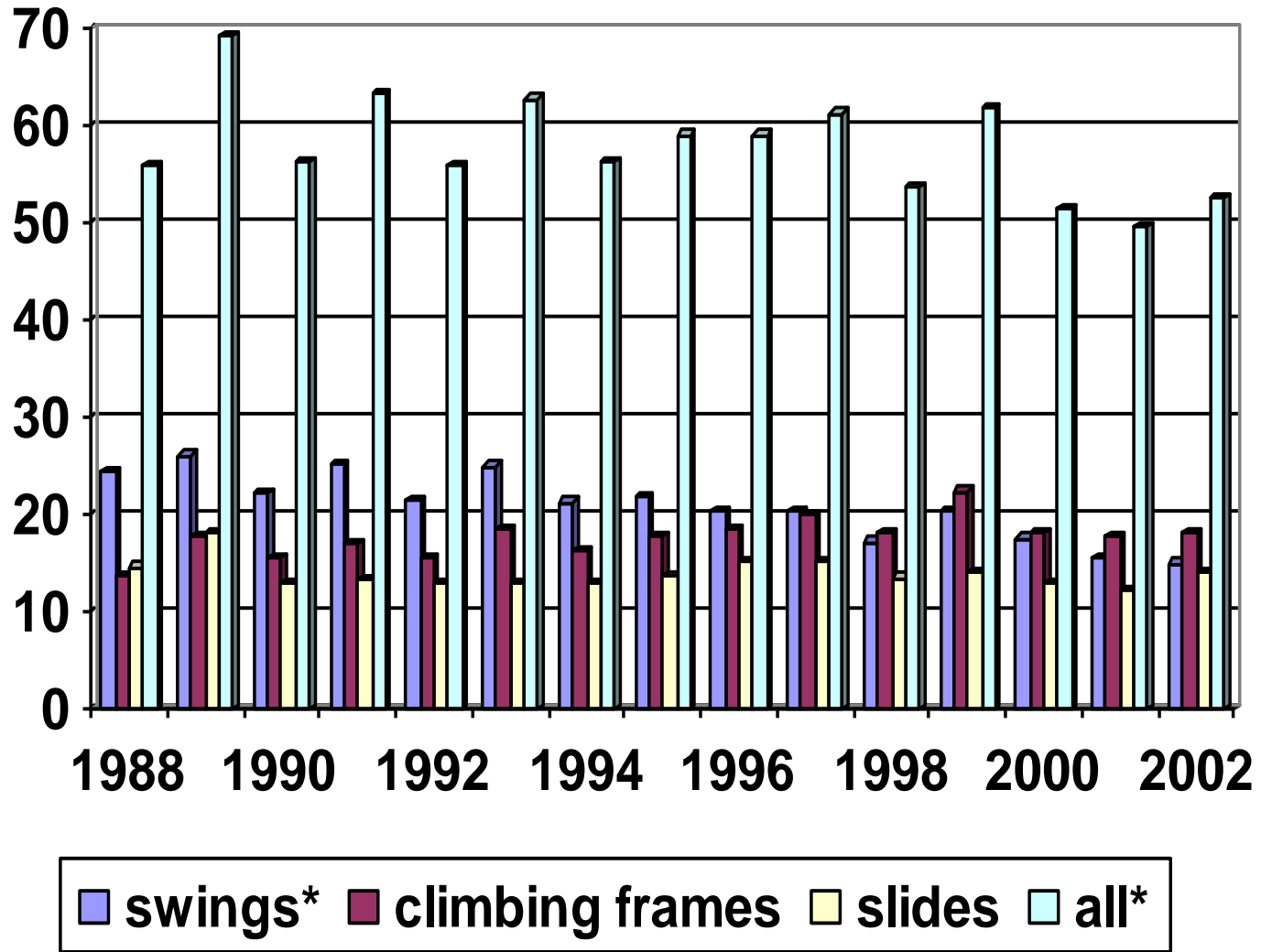
We do not wear inappropriate shoes.

We do not jump the queue.

**We do not go on the Trim Trail
when it is wet or icy.**



UK playground accident trends





Adam Bienenstock, Natural Playgrounds

We need to distinguish between a learning injury and a catastrophic injury.



Side-effects?



Helle Nebelong

I am convinced that standardised playgrounds are dangerous, just in another way. When the distance between all the rungs in a climbing net or a ladder is exactly the same, the child has no need to concentrate on where he puts his feet. This lesson cannot be carried over to all the **knobbly and asymmetrical forms**, with which one is confronted throughout life.



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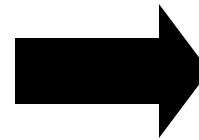














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A word cloud on a green background featuring various social skills and resilience traits. The words are arranged in a roughly triangular shape, with 'Resilience' being the largest and most central word. Other prominent words include 'Problem-solving', 'Responsibility', and 'Happiness'. Smaller words include 'Flexibility', 'Experimentation', 'Adaptability', 'Creativity', 'Teamwork', 'Imagination', and 'Social-skills' (written vertically on the left).

Imagination
Flexibility
Experimentation
Adaptability
Resilience
Problem-solving
Responsibility
Creativity
Teamwork
Happiness
Social-skills



Box Hill Natural Play Trail



Phear Park, Exmouth



Identified Flying Object, Kings Cross



GETTING THE BALANCE RIGHT

Risk management for play

A Guide to the Assessment of Risks and Benefits in Play Provision and Australian Standard 4685:2014





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Plaintiff

And

The Corporation of the District of Saanich

Defendant

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UN Committee on the Rights
of the Child (2013)

A balance is needed between taking action to reduce the unacceptable hazards in the children's environment and informing, equipping and empowering children to take the necessary precautions to enhance their own safety.

Risk is not always good



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