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Ordering system: The Jeffersonian grid, used to divide land in the United States, serves as the organizing framework into which the narrative is weaved.

Analysis

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5. The slope at the intermediate play area is substantial. A terrace wall may be utilized.
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