



## Worksheet – The Young State of Israel

This is the front cover of a children's newspaper printed in Israel three months after the establishment of the State of Israel.

Examine the illustration and answer the following questions.

1. Describe the picture.

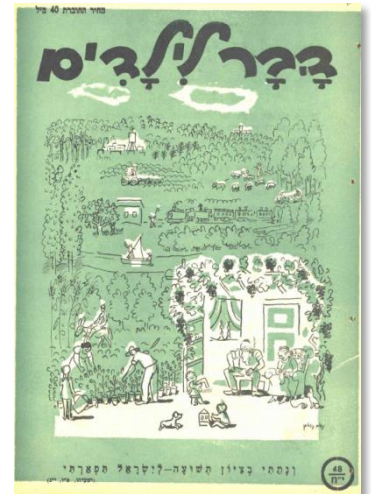
Write a list of at least six items, three places, and three people you can see in the picture.

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2. What is the atmosphere depicted in the picture? How does it make you feel about life in Israel in 1948?

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3. What do you know about the situation in Israel in the months following the Declaration of Independence? Was the situation difficult? Why or why not?

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4. Does the atmosphere depicted in the picture reflect the reality of the times?

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5. Why do you think that the artist chose to show the situation in Israel in this way?

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6. At the bottom of the picture is a verse from the Bible: "And I will place salvation in Zion; for Israel My glory" (Isaiah 46:13).  
What does the verse mean?

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Why do you think that the artist added this verse to the picture?

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### BONUS QUESTION

This illustration was drawn by the famous Israeli artist Nachum Gutman. Gutman created many images of life in Israel in the twentieth century.

Search the internet for images by Nachum Gutman, and choose one that you particularly like. Why did you choose this picture? What is shown in the picture? What historical period does it describe?