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CAN I HELP WITH THE HOUSEWORK?

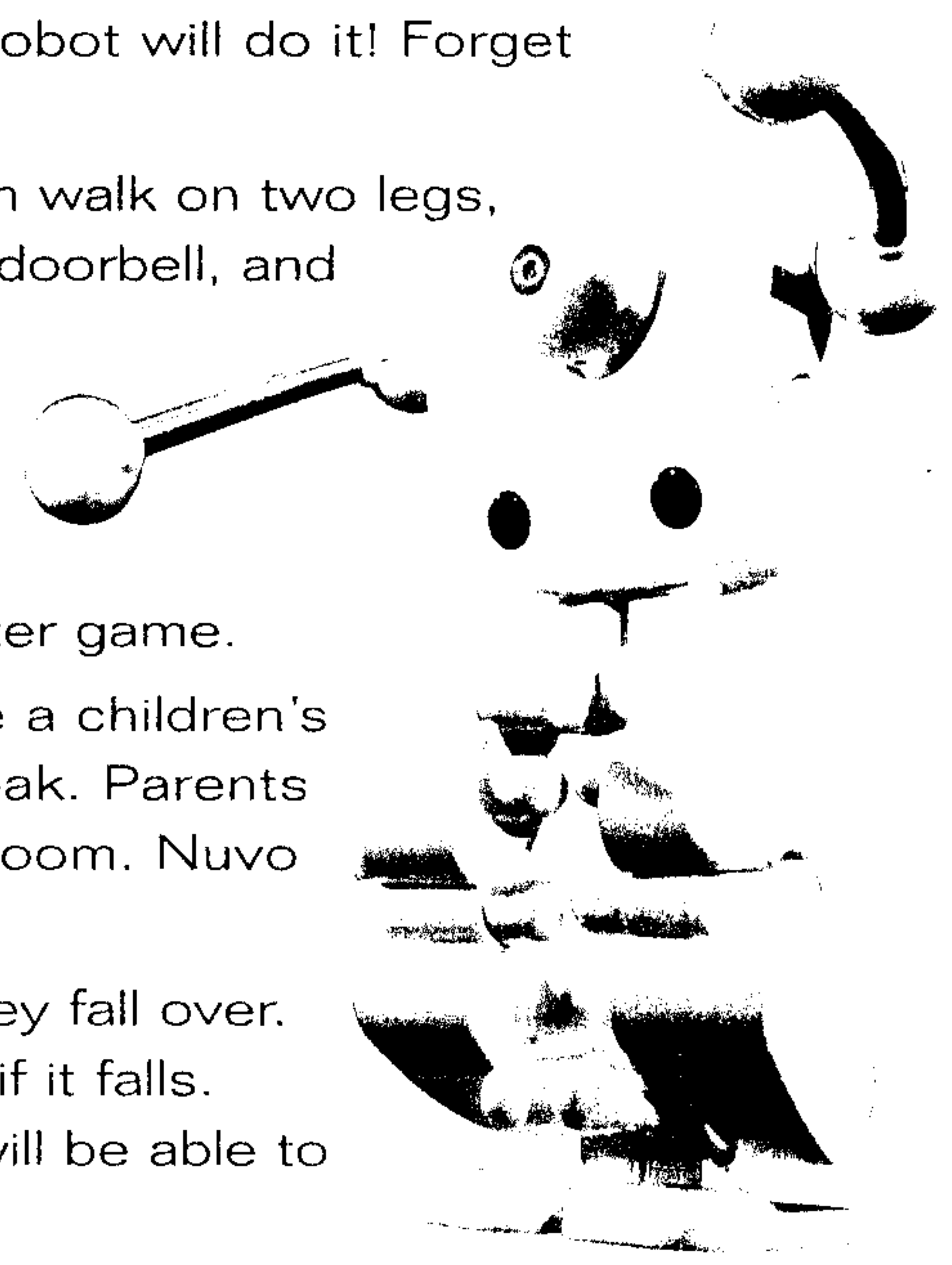
Will robots rule the world one day? Maybe not. But there is one place where they will have an important job – in the house. Japanese scientists think that many families will have a robot in the house by the year 2020. Forget the housework! A friendly robot will do it! Forget about cleaning the house and making the beds. Ask your robot!

There are already robots today. They can do lots of things. They can walk on two legs, and go up and down the stairs. They can shake hands and ring the doorbell, and they can switch lights on and off. Many of them can speak, too.

Most robots are made in Japan. They are quite small – about one metre tall. There is a reason for this. They are about the height of a person sitting in a chair. You can sit and relax, and tell the robot what to do. You can move the robot with a control like in a computer game.

The latest Japanese robot is called Nuvo. It is small and looks like a children's toy. It responds to your voice and can follow directions. It can speak. Parents can use Nuvo as a babysitter. They can tell it to go to the child's room. Nuvo will watch the child with a video camera.

There is one thing most robots can't do. They can't get up when they fall over. Scientists worked on the problem for years. Now Nuvo can get up if it falls. Scientists can solve many problems, and perhaps one day robots will be able to cook. But the food won't taste like Mum's cooking!



I-Comprehension:

Answer the questions:

(5pts)

- Where will the robot have an important job?

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- Where do most robots come from?

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- How big are they?

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- What can Nuvo do?

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- Will robots be the same as people?

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II-Grammar:

1- Complete the sentences with as...as and the adjectives in the box: (4pts)

fast – hot – popular – cheap

1. Summer in England isn't summer in Slovakia.
2. Plane tickets aren't..... bus tickets.
3. In England, basketball isn't..... football.
4. Riding a bike isn't..... travelling by car

2- Complete the sentences with the given adjectives in the comparative or the superlative: (4pts)

1. She buys thedresses in the shop. (expensive)
2. Who is theperson in your class? (noisy)
3. This test is than the last test. (difficult)
4. My hair isthan yours. (Long)

3- Choose the correct word: (4pts)

- You can't drive. You'reyoung.
a-too b-enough c-not

- Are these your sunglasses?
No, they aren't.....
a-mine b-her c-my

- I can't open the window. I'm not.....
a-tall enough b-taller c- tallest

- Joey is better.....Pete at swimming.
a-than b-too c-not

4- Put the words in order to make sentences: (3pts)

1. movie / He / old / isn't / enough / to watch / the
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2. famous / is / most / one of /singers / the / today / Britney Spears
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3. my / were / with / sister / parents / strict / My / younger
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