

going to the theatre

a social story

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theatre

Today I am going to the **theatre**.

I am going to Orlando Repertory Theatre to see a **show**.



show

I am going to see Judy Moody & Stink: The Mad, Mad, Mad, Mad Treasure Hunt.

That is a **show** that is based on a series of books.

The **show** is a play with actors telling the story.



lobby

When I enter the building, the first thing I will see is the lobby.

There are many fun and colorful things to look at, and there may be a lot of people.



box office

We will go to a place called the **box office**. This is where we will talk to a person who will sell us **tickets**.

We may wait in line with other people to get our **tickets**.



ticket

I will get a **ticket** that lets me into the **show**.

Every person seeing the **show** needs to have a **ticket**.



concession stand

There is a **concession stand** in the **lobby** where I can go to buy snacks, drinks, and other items for sale.

We may wait in line with other people to buy items from the concession stand.



activities

There will be arts and crafts activities in the lobby before the show.

I can participate in the **activities** if I want. There may be other people participating in the **activities** with me.



lobby

On the wall of the **lobby** there are television screens. There is music and bright colors coming from the television screens.

I can watch the television screens as I wait to go into the **theatre**. There may be other people watching the television screens, too.



lobby

The **lobby** is the entrance to the **theatr**e.

Before going into the **theatre**, I will show my **ticket** to a **helper**.



helpers

Helpers will be wearing a white shirt and a tag that says Helper.



theatre

The **theatre** will be darker than the **lobby**. A helper will be there to help me find a **seat**.

To get to my **seat**, I may need to use the **stairs**. There is a **handrail** for me to hold.



sitting

I sit with my friends or family members during the **show**. I might be **sitting** next to someone that I do not know.

After I have sat down, other people might need to walk in front of me to get to their seats. They may accidentally touch me as they walk past. That is okay.



show

When the **show** is about to start, somebody will make an announcement.

The **show** will be on the **stage**. There will be actors, colors, and sounds during the show.

It is okay for me to cover my ears if the **show** is too noisy. It is okay for me to cover my eyes if the **show** is too bright.



show

Sometimes the actors may be close to me or in an aisle near my seat.



exit

I can leave the **show** at anytime.

If I need to take a break from the **show**, I will tell a friend or family member.

We will exit the theatre, and ask a **helper** how to get to the **quiet room** or **restroom**.



quiet room

If I need some quiet time, I will tell a friend or family member to take me to the quiet room.

A helper can help me find the quiet room.

I can sit in a chair or walk around the quiet room.



restroom

If I need to use the **restroom** during the show, I can ask a friend or family member to take me.

A helper can help me find the nearest restroom.

The **toilets** in the **restroom** are noisy and will flush on their own.

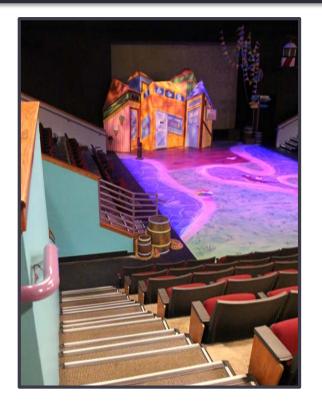


clapping

The show is over when the actors take a bow.

I can show that I liked the show by **clapping** my hands.

Other people will **clap**, too, and it may be loud. If the **clapping** is too loud, it is okay to cover my ears.



leaving

When **leaving** the theatre, I may have to use the **stairs**.

Other people will be leaving, too. There may be a lot of people on the stairs.

I will walk slowly and wait for my friends and family members.



meet and greet

After the **show**, I can meet the actors in the lobby. This is called a **meet and** greet.

The actors will be in their costumes from the show. I can tell them I liked the show and say thank you.



leaving

When it is time to **leave**, I will wait for my friends and family before I go outside of the building.