



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 *Pete The Cat*.

That is a **show** that is based on a series of books by Kimberly and James Dean.

The **show** is a musical with actors telling the story by talking, singing, and dancing.



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.

A ticket will let me into the show. Every person seeing the show needs to have a ticket.

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



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**.



activity

There will be a craft **activity** in the **lobby** before the show.

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



helpers

If I need help with anything, I can ask a **helper**. **Helpers** will be wearing a white shirt and a tag that says **Helper**.



ramp

When it is time for the show, we walk up the **ramp** to go to the theatre.

When I walk up the **ramp**, I can hold the handrail.



Bush lobby

The **Bush lobby** is the entrance to the theatre.

There may be a lot of people waiting in the **Bush lobby** to see the show.



Bush lobby

On the wall of the **Bush 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**.



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 walk up **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 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 when they walk past. That is okay.



sitting

It will be louder if I sit closer to the **stage**. It will be quieter if I sit further away from the **stage**.

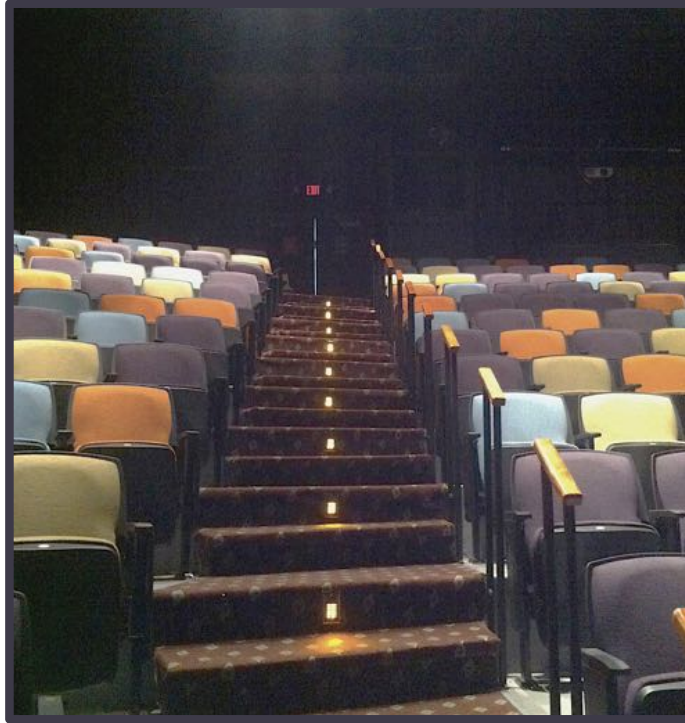


show

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 music 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.



exit

I can leave the show at any time.

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 **lobby** or the **restroom**.

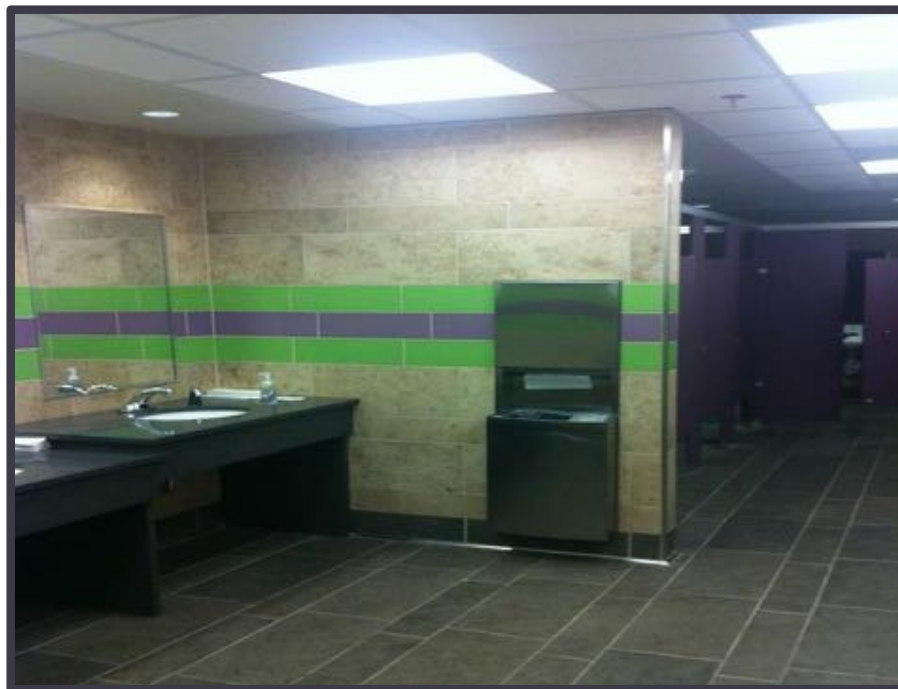


quiet time

If I need some **quiet time** during the show, I will ask a friend or family member to take me to the **lobby**.

A **helper** can help me find the **lobby**.

I can sit on a **bench** or walk around the **lobby**. There may be other people in the **lobby**.



restroom

If I need to use the **restroom** during the show, I will 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.

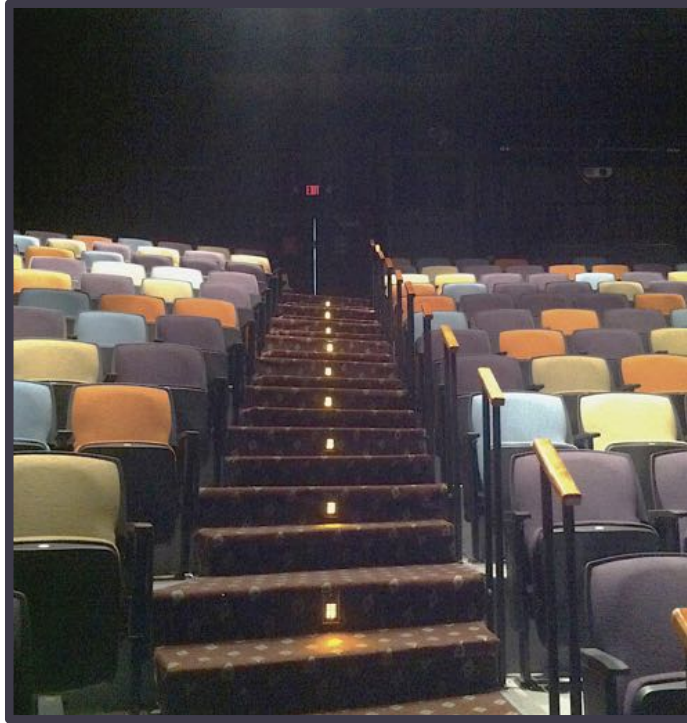


clapping

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.



leaving

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