



Social Story

What Happens When I Go to the Theater



We will have to walk down a city sidewalk.



Everyone needs to go through security to get inside the theater. The scanner will beep. I will see a friendly security guard.



I can take the elevator to get to the theater.



Or I can climb the stairs one flight to the the theater.



**I may have to wait in line to show an usher my ticket.
An usher will scan my ticket as I enter the theater.
The scanner may beep.**



An usher will give me a program as I enter the theater. There will be a coloring sheet on the back I can color.



Sometimes a theater may be crowded. To get to my seat, I may walk in front of other people, and other people may walk in front of me to get to their seats. People might bump into me by accident.



Inside the theater, I can walk around to find my assigned seat.



Ms. Megan will come out onstage to welcome us.



During the show, I will sit with my family. There may be people I don't know sitting close to me.



At the beginning of the show, the lights will darken. Everyone, including myself, will be quiet so that we can hear the show.



Everybody that I see in a costume onstage is an actor playing pretend. They are telling me a story.



There may be things that make me nervous like loud singing and lights. If I get nervous during the show I can: cover my eyes, wear my earphones, hold my guardian's hand, or play with my fidget.



If I see something that I like or think is funny, I can clap my hands or laugh. Others beside me may clap their hands or laugh too. If the clapping is too loud I can: cover my ears, wear ear plugs or wear headphones.



I know the show is over when the actors bow. Everyone will clap and cheer.



**When the show is over, the lights will go back on and everyone will leave the theater. The aisles or doorway may be crowded as everyone exits.
I will wait my turn to use the aisle and use the exit doors.**



If I want, I can wait quietly in line to get autographs from the cast after the show.



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