

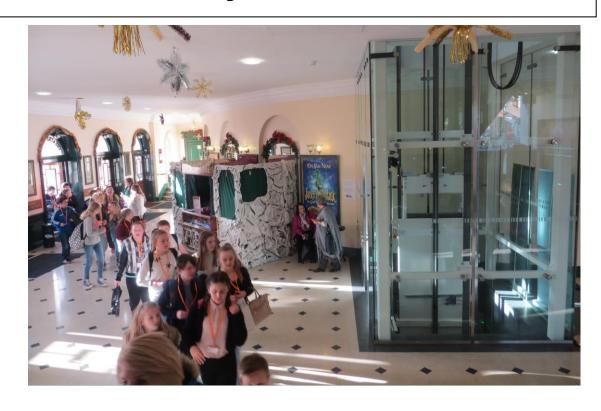
Visual Story for visiting the Theatre Royal Nottingham



I am going to see a show at the Theatre Royal



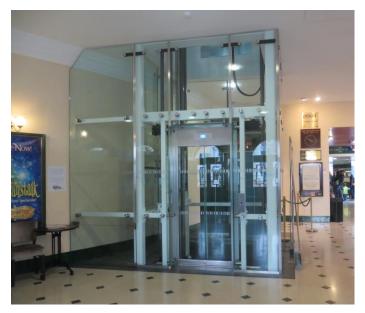
When we get inside the Theatre it may be busy, so I will have to be patient and calm





My seats will be in a place called the Stalls, Dress Circle, Upper Circle or Balcony. To get to my seats I may have to climb a few stairs or use the lift





Before we take our seats in the auditorium I can use the toilet. If I need to use the toilet, I can ask the person I am with





We will show our tickets to an usher in a uniform who will look like this

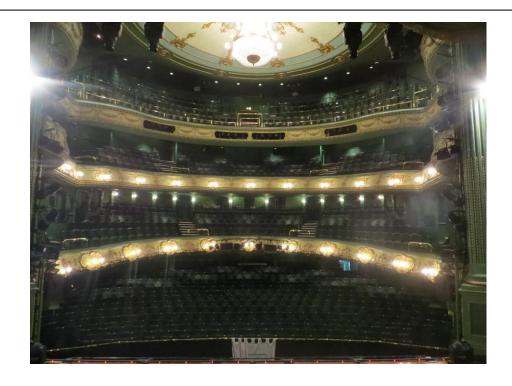


The usher will look at our tickets and tell us where we need to go. The letters and numbers on the tickets tell us where we have to sit. It is not a choice

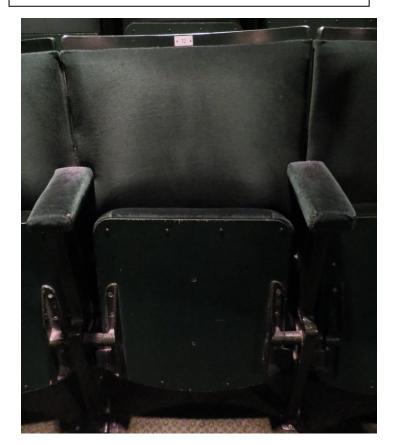




Then we will go inside the auditorium. The Theatre is very big and there are lots of seats!



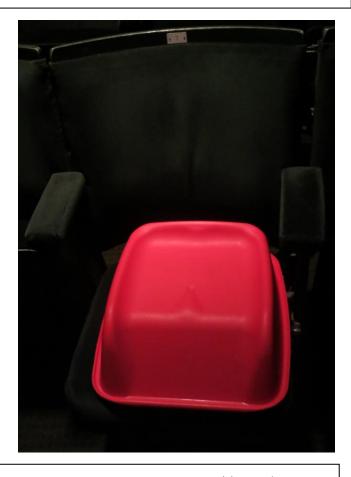
My seat will look like this



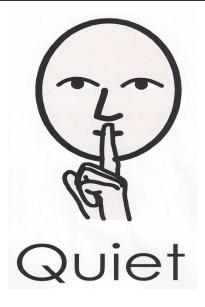


If I can't see the stage clearly I can ask an adult for a booster seat to sit on



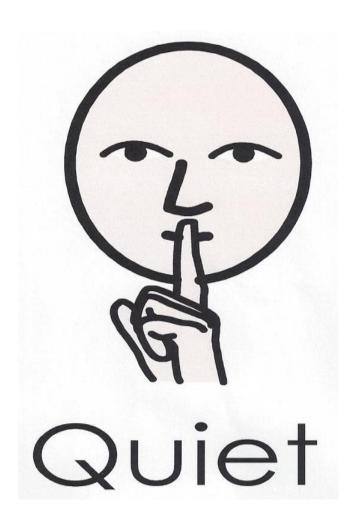


When it is time for the show to start a voice will ask everyone to turn off their mobile phones. The theatre will get darker and everyone needs to be quiet.





When the show starts I will see actors coming on to the stage. I will try and be as quiet as I can so I can hear everything



Seeing a show at the Theatre is a bit like seeing something on TV or in a film but the people are right there in front of you on the stage.



It is important to remember the actors are just pretending and telling a story. The story and their characters are not real



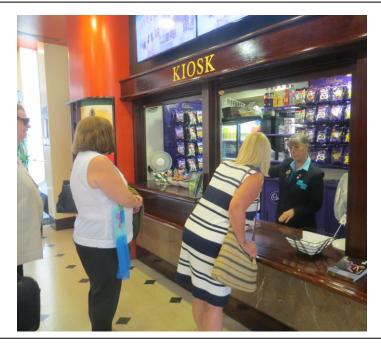
Sometimes different parts of a show can be loud. If the sound bothers me I can put my hands over my ears or wear my ear defenders







In the middle of the show there is a break. This is called the interval. I can use the toilet or buy a drink or snack from the kiosk. The interval is usually 20 minutes



After the interval everyone will come back and sit down in their seats again. It will get darker and quieter again just like at the beginning of the show





At the end of the show, all of the actors will come out on to the stage and bow. This is called a curtain call. Many people will clap and cheer so the actors know how much they liked the show



If I want to clap I can. If the clapping is too loud, I can cover my ears or wear my ear defenders







After the show has finished we will leave the Theatre Royal



I am very excited to visit the Theatre Royal!