

Social Narrative Template

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General Information

- What is this?
 - This a template to make it easier for museums and historic sites to implement a social narrative.
- How to use
 - Make a copy or download this template.
 - Put photos and edit sentences as you wish.
- For more information
 - Please visit our website: [Sensory Resources Guide For Museums: Social Narrative](#)
- Update History
 - 1st draft April 8, 2020
 - 2nd draft April 22, 2020
 - Add photo idea description to make it easier for museums to fill out.
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 - Change a blank from underbars '_____' to brackets and instruction '(instruction)' to fill out.

Photo Ideas

Any photo suit for the front page such as:

Exterior of the museum

Overall view of the museum

Sign and logo with the museum's name

(Museum name) Social Narrative

Photo Ideas

Exterior of the museum
Overall view of the museum
Sign and logo with the museum's name

Today, I am going to visit (museum name). I am so happy to learn (something).

Photo Ideas

Entrance to the museum
Walkway or path leading to the entrance of the museum

When I arrive, I will walk a few steps to the entrance. I can also use the accessible entrance nearby.

Photo Ideas

A visitor being checked by security for luggage
Photo of how luggage check is done (e.g., human, machine, etc)
The security person looking friendly

When I enter, the security guard will ask to look my bag. If I don't have a bag, I can walk right in.

Photo Ideas

A Visitor checking coats and luggages
The coat check person looking friendly

If I have a bag or coat, I can leave them at the coat check. There may be a short line and I may need to wait for a few minutes.

Photo Ideas

A visitor buying a ticket
People standing in line to buy tickets
Ticket counter person looking friendly

Next, I will buy a ticket at admission desk. I may need to wait in line, and it could be crowded.

Photo Ideas

A visitor interacting with the information desk person
The information desk person looking friendly

At the information desk, I can get a museum map. I can also borrow a sensory bag and other sensory resources.

Photo Ideas

A photo of volunteers and museum staff member

A visitor interacting with the volunteers and museum staff member

I may see museum staff members (way to tell them, e.g., in a red shirt). They can tell me more about the exhibition, and help me find my way.

Photo Ideas

Various signs in your museum

In the museum, I see some signs. I can know if I can/cannot touch some things, eat, or drink at a space.

Photo Ideas

Areas of elevator and stairway

I can use the elevators or the stairs to access the different floors.

Photo Ideas

Exhibit or items that are expected to be loud

At (exhibition name), I can see (content). It may get loud/ be suddenly loud. I can cover my ears when I walk by or borrow headphone at the information desk.

Photo Ideas

Exhibit or items that has bright lights/ flashing lights

At (exhibition name), I can see (content). It may have flashing light. I can cover my eyes when I walk by or borrow sunglasses at the information desk.

Photo Ideas

Exhibit or items that are expected to have a distinctive smell

At (exhibition name), I can see (content). It may have a strong smell. I can cover my nose when I walk by.

Photo Ideas

Cafe

Food shop

Visitor eating/drinking something at the place where they can eat

If I get hungry, I can go to the cafe to buy food or eat food I brought. I know the way to get there is (description of how to get to the place).

Photo Ideas

A place to sit and rest
Visitor resting

If I get tired or overwhelmed, I can take a rest at (place). This space is quiet and less busy. I know the way to get there is (direction on how to get there).

Photo Ideas

Exit of the museum

Visitors are leaving from the exit with a smile on their faces

When it's time to leave the museum, I will exit from the front door (directions on how to exit). It is so much fun and I will come back again!