Social Narrative My Visit to the Museum of Industry





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What and where is the Museum of Industry?

The Museum of Industry is located in **Stellarton**, **Nova Scotia**. The Museum of Industry is Nova Scotia's largest museum and has lots to see and do



Entering the Museum

I will enter the museum through two glass doors. The **washrooms** are inside, to the left of the entrance. I will remember that if I need the washroom that is where they are.





Entering the Museum

When I enter the museum we will see the front desk where the **receptionist** will take my admission and give me a map to make my way through the museum. Beside the front desk is the **gift shop**, where I can buy something to remember the museum after I visit.





Auditorium and Quiet Space

To the left of the front desk is the auditorium. The auditorium is a quiet space. I can go in the auditorium if I need to sit down and have a break.





Museum staff

When walking through the museum, I will see people who work at the museum helping visitors and running demonstrations. These people can answer some of my questions and they also help me remember the rules of the museum.

Rules of the museum are:

- Use my indoor voice
- Do not run
- No food or drink in the Museum
- Stay inside the museum until it is time to leave.



What can I see and do at the Museum?

At the Museum of Industry I can see exhibits about living and working in Nova Scotia **200 years** ago. Some exhibits I can touch, some are just to look at. There will be signs to help me know what I can touch and what I can look at.



Touching Items in the Museum

Some items in the museum are very old and cannot be touched. Any item that cannot be touched has a clear warning on or close to it. I will not touch the item.



Barriers

Some exhibits have **fences** or **glass** in front of them, this means that I cannot touch the items on display. This is a rule of the museum and I will follow that rule.





Walking through the Museum

When I am walking through the museum, I use my indoor voice when talking or asking a question.

I walk, instead of run, so that I am safe and others are safe. This is a rule of the museum



Remember to use my indoor voice

Remember to walk

Noises

While I am walking through the museum I might hear the sound of other visitors talking or playing on the kids train. I might also hear a **train bell** ringing from time to time and other sounds that some of the machines and exhibits make.





Other visitors

As I walk through the museum I might see other visitors exploring the galleries. Sometimes I may have to wait my turn to try an exhibit.



Museum activities

The Museum of Industry has lots of activities I can do. Pump-ups, waterwheels, and the replica chocolate factory are all examples of things I can touch and interact with. Some of the activities may be noisy.





Museum activities

Sometimes activities get broken at the Museum and have to be fixed. When this happens I will see a sign that says Out Of Order. This means I cannot do that activity. I will look for another activity to do.



Lets go over everything!

Soon I will be going to the Museum of Industry. Remember:

- I use my indoor voice when in the museum
- I walk everywhere, no running.
- I stay with my caregiver
- I only touch what I am allowed to touch.
- I will see and hear different sounds in the museum.
- I will see and hear other visitors.
- I will have fun!