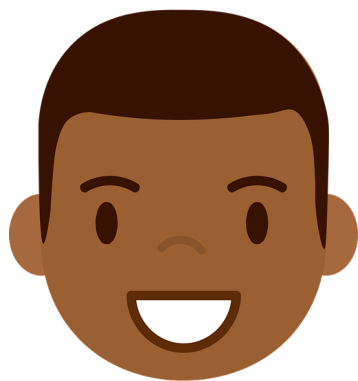


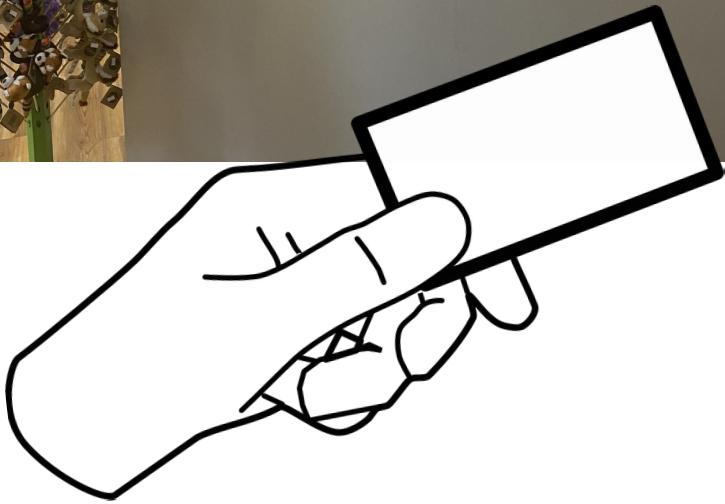
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ALEXANDRIA
ZOO



This social story is made to help me understand what to prepare for and expect during my trip to Alexandria Zoo. While I'm visiting, it's important to remember to listen and follow all directions from the adult I am with and the Alexandria Zoo staff to ensure the animals and I are safe while having fun.





Today I am going to ride the train at the Alexandria Zoo. When we arrive at the Zoo, I can choose to purchase a train ticket at the Ticket Window or the Zootique.



I'll follow the signs to
the Train Depot.



The Train Depot can be a busy place with lots of people and noise. I might have to wait for the next train ride or wait in line to get on the train.



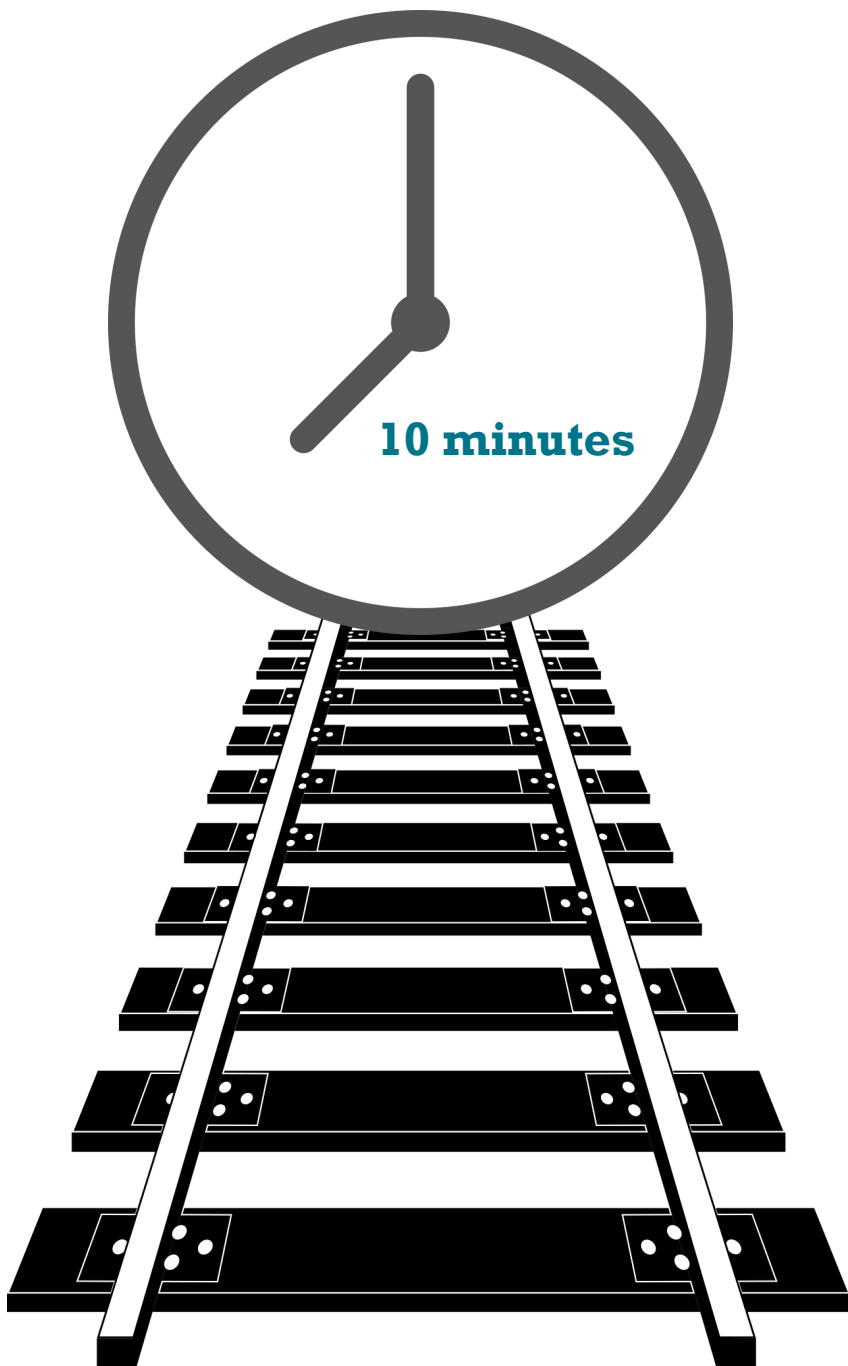
While I wait, I might sit
on the bench or watch
the fish.



The Train Conductor will let us know when it is our turn to board the train. We will give the conductor our train tickets and listen to any instructions that are shared.



I can choose any of the open seats to ride in. If I use a wheelchair, I will get to ride at the front of the train in the wheelchair accessible car.



The train will travel once around the perimeter of the zoo. We will get off where we started. The trip will last about 10 minutes.



During the ride there will be loud announcements, bells, and whistles. There are many different sounds while riding the train.





Train tracks are not as smooth as roadways. I might feel the train car shift or bounce along as we ride.



During the ride I will see into different animal habitats, drive through a model of an old saw mill, and through a tunnel. Some people like to “roar” as loud as they can in the tunnel!



Once we return to the Train Depot, I might have to wait in line to exit the train. It can be loud and crowded at the Train Depot, so I will remember to stay with my group.



After the train, my group can visit more of the zoo!