Social Narrative
Going to Nolen Library at
The Metropolitan Museum of Art
I am going to Nolen Library at The Metropolitan Museum of Art. The Metropolitan Museum is one of the biggest art museums in the world and it is right here in New York City! It is next to Central Park.
We will enter the Museum through the Ruth and Harold D. Uris Center for Education. The entrance is located on Fifth Avenue and 81st Street, south of the main entrance.
When we go in, a security guard will ask to look in everyone’s bags, including mine. I will open my bag so the guard can look inside. If I don’t have a bag I can walk right in.

Then we will head into Nolen Library.
I can look at picture books in the library and read books in different languages.

I can listen to stories during a Storytime program.
The books stay in the library. We can read them here when we visit, but we can’t check them out the way we do at our local public library.

I can also use a computer to explore #MetKids and listen to stories.
There are also computers for grown-ups and young adults. Grown-ups come to the library to read, to study, and to learn about art.

If we have a question, we can ask one of the people working at the desk. These librarians are very friendly and helpful.
We can stay in the library and read more books. We can also visit the galleries to look at art and bring along a sensory-friendly kit*.

I hope I can visit the Museum and Nolen Library again soon!

* A sensory-friendly kit is available from Nolen Library for families with children with sensory sensitivities or those on the autism spectrum for use in the galleries. It includes a sensory-friendly map of the Museum, a visual checklist, fidgets, and a weighted blanket. The kit can be checked out and returned to the library’s desk between 10:00 a.m. and 5:00 p.m.

Please note:
Nolen Library is open seven days a week, 10:00 a.m.–5:00 p.m.
See the Library Portal for holiday closures: libmma.org/portal/library-holiday-closings
For more information about the library, call (212) 570-3788 or email nolen.library@metmuseum.org.
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