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# This Is My Library

*A Social Story of the Teen Space and Adult areas of the Library*



Lake Forest Library

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# Note to Friends and Caregivers

This Social Story is about the Adult Areas of Lake Forest Library. There is also a Social Story about the Youth Areas. Some of these areas overlap.

The purpose of this Story is to help prepare individuals to visit Lake Forest Library. Reading this story before visiting can help them gain visual familiarity with the Library so they can feel more comfortable during their visits.

If you have suggestions of things to add or change in the story, please let us know at [www.lakeforestlibrary.org/social-story](http://www.lakeforestlibrary.org/social-story).

You may also find our self-directed Virtual Tour helpful to visually preview the Library further. Access it on any device at [www.lakeforestlibrary.org/virtual-tour](http://www.lakeforestlibrary.org/virtual-tour).



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This is the front of my Library.



I can return books in the silver Return Bin.

I can press the silver square button to automatically open the door.

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This is the Foyer when I enter the Library.



This is the first of many rooms in my Library.

Sometimes I will hear an alarm ring. It is loud, but I don't have to worry. It just means someone forgot to check a book out.



# This is the Rotunda.



I can find New Books here.

I can ask a Librarian at the Service Desk for help finding rooms and items.

I use my library card to borrow items. A Librarian at a Service Desk can check them out for me. Or I can use a Self-Checkout Kiosk.

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This is a Restroom.



Or I can ask a Librarian at a Service Desk to let me in to the Accessible Restroom at the back of the building.



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# This is the Reference Room and Annex.



I can ask a Librarian at the Service Desk for help finding rooms and items.

I can ask a Librarian at the Service Desk for a Social Story Kit with noise-canceling headphones and other items to use while I visit the Library.

I can find the Accessibility Collection in the bookcases by the windows. I can borrow items to help me focus, read, and more.

I can talk in these rooms. I can use a computer and copier. I can use the tables and chairs.

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# This is the Media Lab.



I can use the tables and chairs.

I can visit a Service Desk and use my Lake Forest Library card to make an appointment to work with the Media Lab Staff on my special projects.



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# This is the Business Room.



I can find Business Books and use a computer.

I am quiet in this room.

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# This is the Fiction Room.



I can find Fiction Books here.

I can find Large Print books on the back wall.

I can use the restrooms and stairs here.



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# This is the Fiction Annex.



I can find Mystery, Romance, Sci-Fi, and Graphic Novels here.

I can ask a Librarian at a Service Desk to let me into the Accessible Restroom.

I can use the Elevator.

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This is the Audio Room.



I can find Audiobooks here.



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# This is the Reed Room.



I can go to Library events here.

Sometimes the door is closed and I cannot use the tables and chairs.

When the door is open, I can ask at a Service Desk to use the tables and chairs. I keep the lights on and the door open. I cannot use the TV.

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# This is the Reading Room.



I can find Newspapers and Magazines here.

I can use the tables and chairs.

I am quiet in this room.



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# This is the Fine Arts Room.



I can find Art Books and Music CDs here.

I can use the tables and chairs.

I am quiet in this room.

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# These are the Center Stairs.



Or I can use the Elevator at the back of the building.



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# This is the Elevator.



I can go to different floors of the Library.

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# This is the Upper Level and Nonfiction Annex.



I can find Nonfiction Books here.

It can be very bright and warm on this floor.



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# This is the Lower Level.



I can find Movies, Video Games, and Teen items here.

I can use the tables and chairs.

# This is a Return Bin.



When I am done with Library books and items, I can return them here. I can also return them to a Librarian at a Service Desk.



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Sometimes when I leave the Library I will hear an alarm ring. It is loud, but I don't have to worry. It just means someone forgot to check a book out.



I can come back to the Library again!