

Dinosaurs and Fossils

Visual Story

Preparing for a Museum in a Van visit



My teacher has invited people from Melbourne Museum to my class to talk to us about Dinosaurs.



On the day of the visit, my teacher will let me know that there will be visitors from the Melbourne Museum.

The day might be in a different order so we can fit the visit in, but my teacher will let me know if there are changes.



On the day of the visit, a person from Melbourne Museum will come to my

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in a big van. They will unpack their van and bring their objects inside.

The museum visitor may move the furniture around in the room to make space for all the new things.



When the visitor has set up and is ready, they will invite me and my classmates to sit down on the group time mat, where I have stories with my class.

The visitor will have lots of things to show me, some may be covered up, but soon I will be able to see everything.

They will talk about Dinosaurs.



The visitor will start by showing us dinosaur toys.

They might ask for volunteers to come and help. I can say no if I do not want to.



The visitor might ask me to get up and move my body. I do not have to do this if I do not want to.



The visitor will then read a story.



Then they will show us dinosaur fossils.

To keep us all safe, we cannot touch the fossils until the visitor says we can.



If I would like to ask a question, I can put my hand up. This helps us take turns.



While the visitor is speaking, it is okay if I need to get up to go to the toilet, get a drink of water, or stretch my legs.

I might like to have a fidget toy, my own chair, a teacher, or anything else with me that helps me concentrate.

If I need to, my teacher might ask me to play quietly elsewhere so that others can listen.

I can always come back and join the group when I want to.



After the visitor is finished talking, they will invite us up to touch the fossils.

I do not have to touch them if I do not want to.

To look after the fossils, it is important that we touch them gently.

I may have to take turns and wait until my classmate is finished before I can touch the fossils.

Everyone will get a turn.



The visitor will let me know when it is time to pack up.

They will say goodbye, and they will start packing their van.