

# Social Guide

## A trip to the National Gallery of Ireland

### Introduction

We are going on a trip to The National Gallery of Ireland.

It is a gallery with beautiful artworks on display and it is located in Dublin city centre.

In this story we'll learn about how to enter the Gallery, meet some of the people who work there and find out what we can expect to see during our visit.

## The Gallery has two entrances!



This is a picture of the main entrance to the National Gallery on Merrion Square.



This is a picture of the entrance to the Gallery on Clare Street.

## The Information Desk

When we enter the doors of the National Gallery, we will see an information desk.



It might be crowded and noisy and sometimes we will have to wait a while before speaking to a person at the desk.

The person at the desk is there to assist with our visit.

We can pick up **The Gallery map** here and this will help us find our way around.

## Audio Guides

Audio guides are available from the information desks. They are great for learning about the collection.



## Gallery Staff

There are friendly and welcoming people in the Gallery who can help us.



Tour Guide

When we have questions, we can ask the volunteer at the information desk, a security officer or a guide. We can ask them questions about the Gallery and they will help us find an answer.

Gallery Volunteer



Museum Security Officer

If we can't find our family or friends, we should look for a security officer.

## The Cloak Room

We can store our coat and bag at the cloak room where we will meet one of the security staff. We might have to wait in line if it's busy.



## Getting Around

The Gallery is a very big space, but we can find our way around by using the Gallery Map and following the signs.



There is a café for snacks or lunch, a Gallery Shop and there are toilet facilities throughout the Gallery.



## The Creative Space



We can visit the Creative Space in the Atrium to take a break and to create our own artwork.



The Atrium is located on level 1 and is a bright airy and open space.

We will meet the Creative Space volunteer who will welcome us to the space.

## The Galleries

When we go into the galleries where the paintings are hanging, there are a few important things to remember.



We will walk slowly and not run in case we fall and hurt ourselves.

We will not touch the artwork because they are very fragile and easy to damage.



## Leaving the Gallery



We can exit the Gallery via the Clare St and Merrion Square exits. Sometimes large school groups use these doors so it can get crowded.

## **More Information**

Everyone is welcome at The National Gallery of Ireland.

For more information on our access programme visit

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