EXPLORE, IMAGINE, AND EXPERIMENT!

My Visit to San Diego Children’s Discovery Museum
This is a book about San Diego Children’s Discovery Museum. It will tell me about what I can do and see at the Museum.

When I get inside the Museum, I may have to wait in line to check in. It is important that I wait patiently and stay calm in the line. There are a lot of fun things to play with at the Museum including different toys that I will have to share with other children. I will also have to remember to wait my turn.
If I need to take a break from playing, I can visit quiet spaces like the Book Nook or the Welcome Garden. Before I take a break, I need to let my grown up know. If the Book Nook and Welcome Garden are not available, I can try another spot.

INDOOR EXHIBIT HALL
When I first walk inside the Museum, I will see a big open space with lots of fun things to do. There might be a lot of people and it might be loud. I will see different areas like the Our Home exhibit with the play market and house and the Our Town exhibit on the Indoor Stage. Our Town is a changing exhibit that explores different jobs in our community. I can play pretend and even dress up in these areas.
EXPERIMENTATION TABLES
There are tables with different types of blocks and tiles that I can stack and build with.

LIGHT WALL AND MAGNIFICATION STATION
There are two exhibits that use light. At the Light Wall I can make colorful designs and patterns by inserting pegs into the wall. The Magnification Station is where I can look at bugs and other small animals up close.

DISCOVERY SAILBOAT
I can play in the boat and explore around it. I must be careful going up and down the stairs, I should use the handrail to keep me safe. I can use the climbing wall and even explore the captain’s quarters. There is a light inside but it’s not very bright.
The Wind Tunnel, Curly Twirly Ball Wall, Magnetic Ball Wall, and Bernoulli Table are exhibits that make some noise.

The Wind Tunnel is an exhibit where I can learn more about how wind works by using scarves.

The Curly Twirly Ball Wall is a loud exhibit that explores how air forces a ball through a series of tubes.

Magnetic Ball Wall is a magnetic wall that has magnetic tubes that I can move to roll balls down to watch how gravity works.

The Bernoulli Table shows how air pressure can keep a ball afloat.
TRUDY BRONNER DISCOVERY GARDEN

Another part of the Museum is the Trudy Bronner Discovery Garden. It’s not as loud as inside the Indoor Exhibit Hall and it can be hot or cold depending on the weather outside. They have an Outdoor Stage that has ramps and blue blocks that I can play with and Base Camp where I can dig for dinosaurs and fossils in the sand.

The Museum has three different gardens in the Discovery Garden. They have the Edible Garden, Native California Garden, and the Pollinator Garden where I can explore different types of plants and flowers.

Water Wise is one of the outdoor exhibits where I can learn about watersheds. I can watch the water flow from the top of the mountain and build with blocks in the water. The water can get cold, and I can get wet but that’s okay.

The Outdoor Classroom is a nice spot for me to take a break and eat a snack but sometimes the Museum has workshops going on there. The Maker Studio is where I can go to make crafts and sometimes, we get messy. When there is a craft workshop, I need to make sure my adult is with me.
LEAVING THE MUSEUM
When I leave the Museum, I need to make sure I am with my adult. I must make sure that I leave any toys that belong to the Museum before I leave. I can say thank you and goodbye to the other adults who helped me have a fun day at the Museum!