#### **VISUAL STORY**

# Visiting the M&S **ARCHIVE**



When you visit us, the first thing you'll see is our building.



## There are flower beds and seats in front of the entrance.

You can see our logo on the window, and lots of pictures of old and new M&S stores.





It's free to visit us. You can come in and out as many times as you like. The doors will open automatically, so you can walk into the entrance foyer.

On your left there's another automatic door that will slide open for you.





Then you'll see our Reception desk, with someone there to welcome you.



You can also pick up a Sensory backpack here. They are free to borrow.

They have lots of things inside for you to use.

You give the backpack back when you have finished with it.





There are lockers next to Reception where you can leave bags and coats.

They are free to use.



### The exhibition looks like this. We change the items in the display cases a few times a year.



When you come in you might hear sound from our films in the background, or sound effects from the exhibition.

There are lots of seats so you can sit down.





You can look around the exhibition.

There might be other people visiting the exhibition at the same time.



### There are lots of things that you can touch.





## Where you see a sign like this it means you can't touch.

### You can make patterns on our light table.

There is a cinema area with films to watch. It's a bit darker in here.





We have lots of dressing up clothes for you to try if you want to.







You can get creative at our design table. This is our Penny Bazaar shop. You can come in, pick up things on display and use our till!



There is piano music playing in here, and it smells of polish and wax.



We have some things to buy on shelves near the Reception desk.

If you want to buy something, just take it to the person at the desk. They will help you.









This is the way to the toilets.

There are noisy hand dryers in all the toilets. This is the accessible toilet.

This is our refreshment area.

You can help yourself to a hot drink here for free.

You can sit at the tables to have your drinks or eat food you have brought with you.



There are some areas that are just for the people that work here, like the Archive office.

Some doors are alarmed, so you can't go through them.









#### The Reading Room is for people who are doing research.

You can book in advance to use the Reading Room to look at the archives.

The fire alarm here is a loud noise. Then a voice says, 'This is a fire alarm'.

Our staff will show you to the nearest exit.





We're here to help you get ready for your visit.

You can contact us to ask questions or for more information.

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