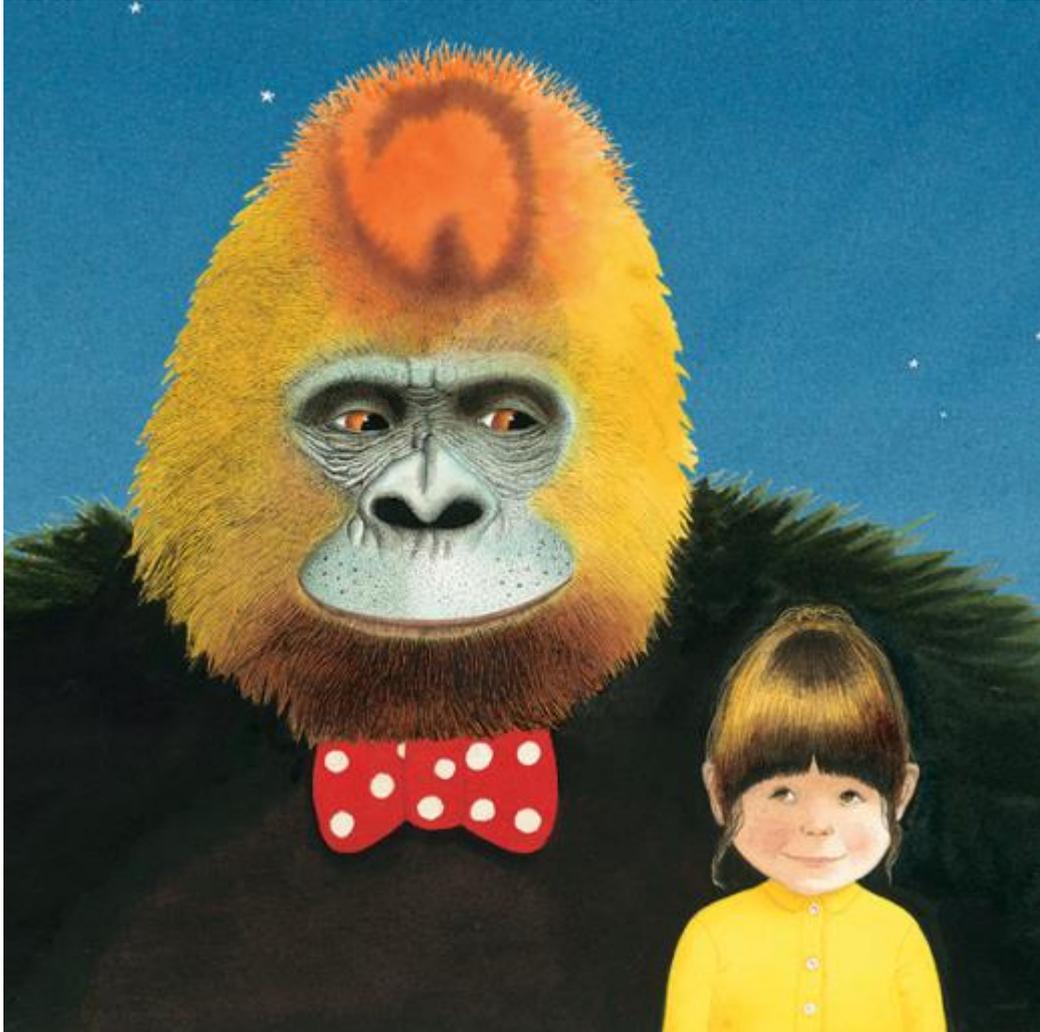




Gorilla



Relaxed Performance Pack

To prepare you for your visit to the Waterside we have put together this pack to help you understand what happens at the theatre, the story that you are about to see and to know what to expect during the performance.

This is the entrance to the theatre:



Inside it looks like this:



On the left you can see the box office, where you collect your tickets, and straight ahead is one of the entrances to the theatre. On the left, out of sight behind the box office, is the café.

The café looks like this:



You can buy drinks and sweets in the café before the performance, and you can go there at any time during the performance if you want to. When you go into the theatre, it looks like this:



If you come in from the back, and a show is about to start it looks like this:



When you come into the theatre your tickets will have a letter and a number on them, which tell you where your seats are.

We have adapted the show slightly by having fewer people watching. We have lowered the sound and lighting levels and throughout the performance the auditorium will have the main lights dimmed instead of being in complete darkness.

Gorilla is show that uses puppets as well as performers. You will see the performers moving the puppets.

On the following pages we tell you the story so you know what to look out for.

The Story

Gorilla is a story about a young girl called Hannah. Hannah really loves Gorillas. She sings a song about how much she loves Gorillas.



This is a picture of Hannah

Hannah lives with her dad. Her dad is very busy and does not have time for Hannah.



This is a picture of Hannah's Dad

Tomorrow is Hannah's birthday. She is very excited. She has asked her dad for a real live Gorilla for her present.

That night Hannah's dad creeps into her room. He leaves a present on her bed.

Hannah wakes up in the night. She opens her present and sees it is a toy Gorilla and not a live Gorilla. She is very unhappy and throws the toy Gorilla into the corner of the room.



This is a picture of Hannah and the toy Gorilla

Her dad sees and is unhappy. He sings a song whilst Hannah is asleep.

When Hannah is asleep, the toy Gorilla begins to grow and magically turns into a live Gorilla.

Access Note: This is shown by making a shadow appear on the wall which gets bigger. The Gorilla and Hannah then become puppets.

The Gorilla tells Hannah not to be scared. He asks her if she would like to go to the zoo.

Hannah puts her dad's hat and coat on the Gorilla



This is a picture of Hannah and the Gorilla. They are shown using puppets.

The Gorilla carries Hannah across the town to the zoo.



This is a picture of Hannah and the Gorilla travelling to the zoo.



This is a picture of Hannah and the Gorilla at the zoo.

Hannah and the Gorilla sing a song about the animals in the zoo.

After the zoo they go to the cinema, and then to a café. In the café, they sing another song.



This is a picture of the café.

Then the Gorilla takes her home. They dance together on the lawn.

The next day is Hannah's birthday.

Her dad asks if she would like to go to the zoo and a café for breakfast!

She says yes!



This is a picture of Hannah and her dad getting ready to go out.

The end.