



## I am going to a Somerset Patriots Game









When I get to the TD Bank ball park, I need to stay with the adults that I know. After leaving our car, I stay with my group and never run through the parking lot. I always pay attention to the cars, signs, and people around me.

There may be a crowd. I can enter the ball park before it gets crowded.

Before I go into the stadium, I need to finish any food or drinks that I have. I can buy different food and drinks inside the stadium.





I wait in line until it is my turn to go into the stadium.

Sometimes it's hard for me to wait. When it is my turn, I give my ticket to the person who works for the Somerset Patriots. Then, I walk through the turning bar to go inside the stadium.









Once I am inside, I can read my ticket stub to know where I am supposed to sit for the game.

Each ticket has a section and seat number written on it. Every seat in the stadium has a number on it, too.

My parent or another adult in my group can help me find the section and number of my seat. A person who works at the stadium also can help us find our seats.





If I get separated from my parent or my group, I should look for a person who works at the stadium.

The people who work at the stadium are friendly and can help me. I can recognize them because they wear "Somerset Patriots" shirts and have an identification card.

That person may take me to a customer service desk where I wait for my parents and friends. I should not leave that area unless I am with the people I came with.





Before the game starts, the Star Spangled Banner song will be played. Most people stand up during this song, to show respect for the United States of America. If I am wearing a hat, I should take it off during this song.

If the song is too loud for me, I can cover my ears or wear headphones. Other songs will be played during the game. It is OK for me to sing along or to cover my ears.



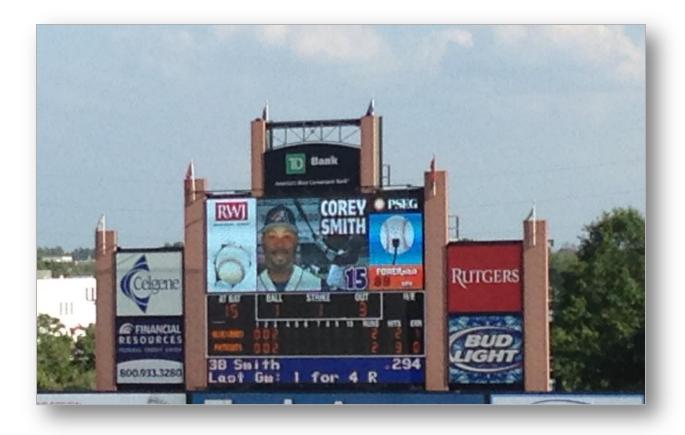




When the game begins, the baseball players will come out on the field. I am not allowed onto the baseball field or in the dugout, unless someone that works for the Somerset Patriots brings me there.

I watch the baseball game from my seat. The game is fun to watch. There are two teams, each with nine players. During the game, a player throws the baseball. Other players take turns to try to hit the ball with a baseball bat and to run around the bases.

It is OK to clap and cheer when a player catches or hits a ball or runs around the bases.



In the stadium there is a very large scoreboard. This board is like a large TV.

The scoreboard shows the score of the game, pictures of players, and other interesting information.

Sometimes, there will be other pictures or videos on the screen. I don't have to look at the scoreboard if it bothers me.





Many people sit to watch the baseball game.

Some people sit on the grass to watch the game. If I want to sit on the grass instead of my seat, I can ask an adult that I am with.

During the game, it's OK to walk around the stadium with my parent or a responsible adult in my group.







There are lots of fun games and activities that I can play inside the ball park. If there is something that I want to play, I can ask an adult to take me there. If the activity is open, I wait my turn before I play.

Sometimes, the Somerset Patriots play games near the baseball field while the baseball players rest. If I am chosen, I should ask my parent if I can participate. I can go with a person who works at the stadium to take part in a fun game with others. If I play a game, I should stay in the area where they tell me to stay, and follow the game rules.





There are many types of food that are sold inside the stadium. There may be a line of people waiting to buy food. I need to wait my turn.

I can ask an adult for help to buy some of the food and drinks that I like best.

Sometimes there are people who work for the stadium who sell food near my seat. I can ask an adult if we can buy something I like. I should only eat the food that we pay for. I should not take food from someone else in the stadium unless my parent or someone I know says that it is alright.





I can choose napkins, ketchup, and mustard with my food. I only take what I need and keep the area neat.

If I have garbage, there are garbage cans and recycle bins around the stadium. I should put my garbage and recyclables where they belong. I never throw garbage on the ground.













The Somerset Patriots have people dressed up in costumes. The gray animal is named "Sparkee." The man dressed in an American Revolution uniform is named "General Admission." The brown animal is named "Slider." These people are nice and will not hurt me. Sometimes they dance and sometimes they do funny things.

I can choose to go near the character or keep away. If I go near a character, I can say hello and take a photograph.

I should never hurt a person who is in the costume. If I do not want to be near them, I can say, "No, thank you."



There is a gift shop in the TD Bank ball park where I can buy things I like.

I always ask permission of my parent or a responsible adult that I know before I go into the store. If there is something that I want to buy, I should ask my parent first.







I can use a public restroom if I have to go to the bathroom.

The restrooms are located on the main level of the stadium, behind sections 203 and 204.

There are two restrooms available if I need to use the bathroom with a family member or a responsible adult in my group.



If I get hurt, I can go to the first aid area with my parent or other responsible adult in my group.

The first aid area is located on the main level of the stadium close to the third base side of the baseball field.

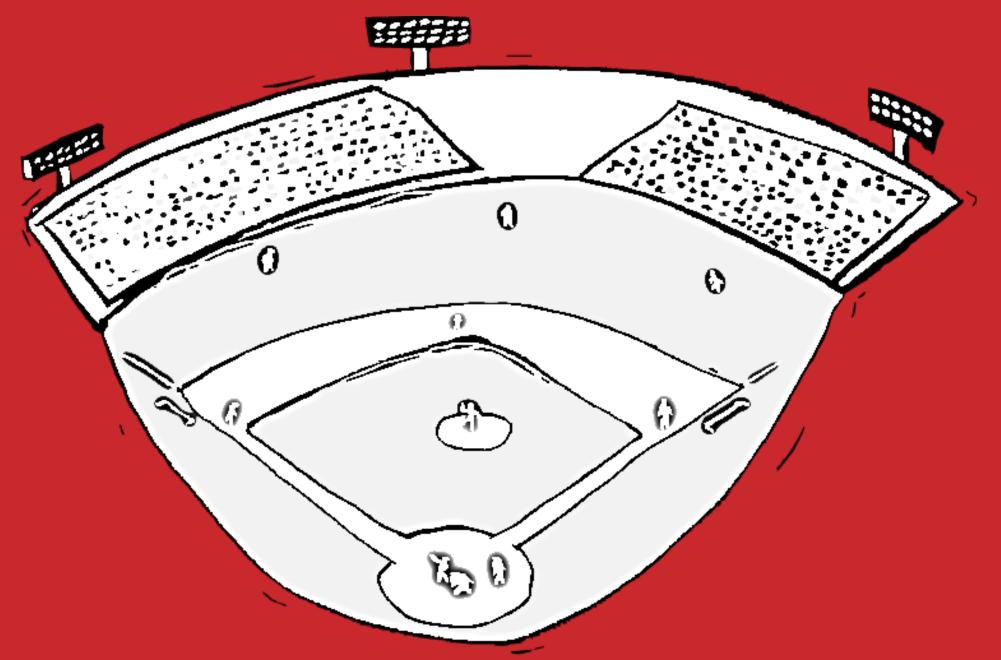
The people at the first aid station are able to help me.



At the end of some Somerset Patriots games there may be fireworks.

Fireworks are a way to celebrate. If I don't like fireworks, I should tell my parent or others in my group.

## I can color this picture to remember the baseball game.



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