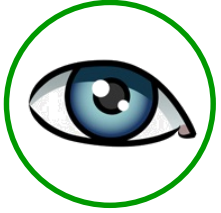




# Visiting the Giraffe Feeding Station

# Sensory Key



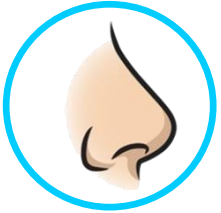
There are lots of things to see here. It might be bright or hurt my eyes in places where I see this. I can wear sunglasses or cover my eyes.



There are lots of things to hear here. It might be loud in places where I see this. I can wear headphones or cover my ears if it gets too loud.



When I see this there will be things I can taste here. I do not have to put anything in my mouth if I do not want to.



There might be a strong smell in places where I see this. I can hold my nose or cover my nose with something that smells good.



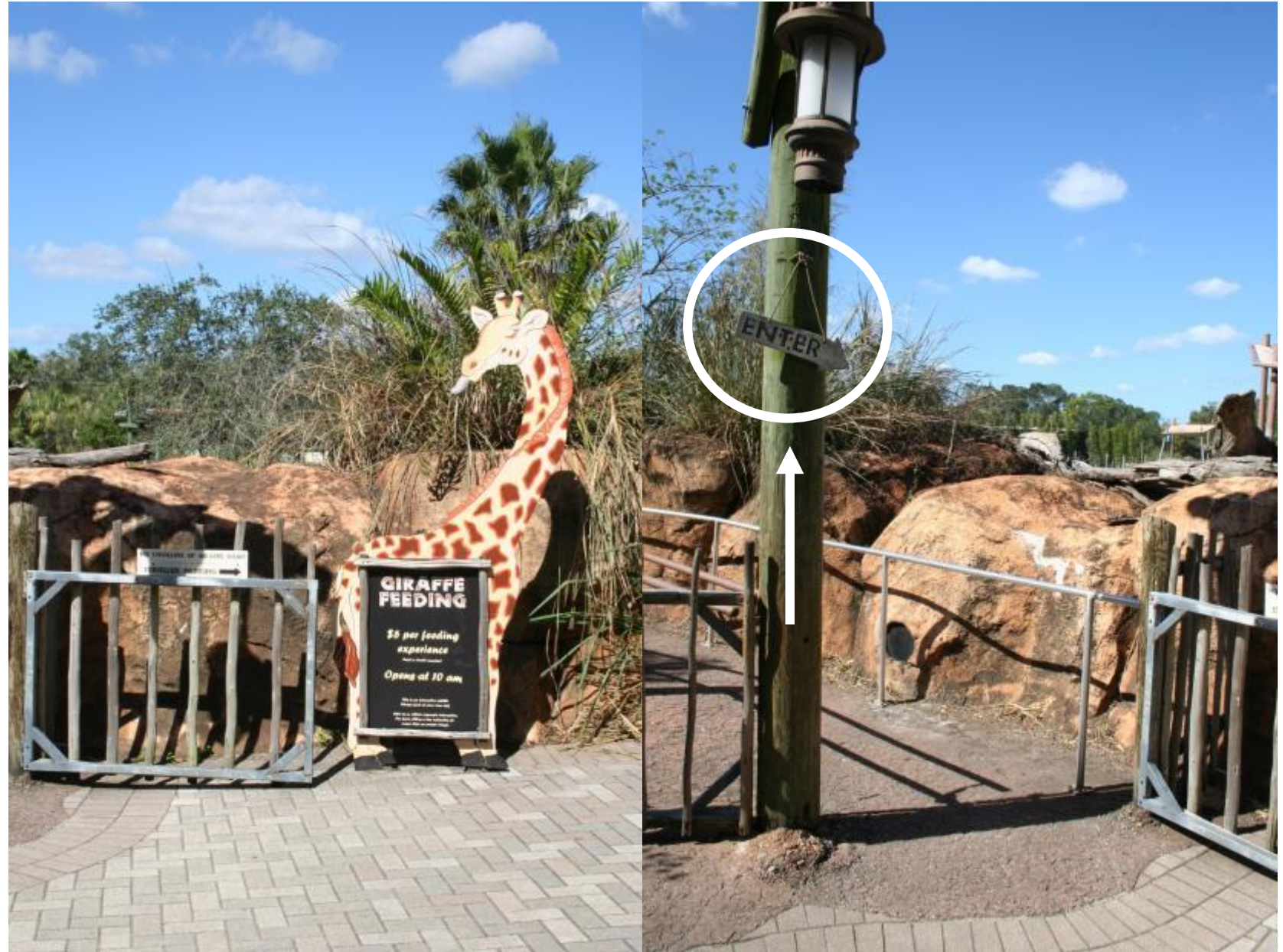
There are lots of things to touch here. There might be things that I feel uncomfortable touching when I see this. I do not have to touch anything that I do not want to.

# We are going to visit the Giraffe Feeding Station

The Giraffe Feeding Station is in Safari Africa. We can get there by following the map and signs. At the Giraffe Feeding Station we can look at the giraffes. We might even feed the giraffes.



Walking through Safari Africa, we will see a sign in the shape of a giraffe. We will walk up the ramp labeled “enter” to get to the feeding station .





At the Giraffe Feeding Station, we can get food to feed the giraffes. This costs extra money. Maybe we will feed the giraffes today. Maybe we will feed the giraffes another day.



The giraffes are fed lettuce.



Just like us, the giraffes are not always hungry. Sometimes they will be waiting to eat at the platform. Other times, they will be out in their yard. If they are not eating, that is okay. We can look at them in their habitat or come back a different time when they are hungry.

I will hold out the piece of lettuce for the giraffe to take. I might feel the giraffe's lips or tongue touch our hand. It is okay. The giraffe is just trying to take the lettuce. I will not pet the giraffes. If I get nervous, I can always take a step back.





When I am done feeding the giraffes, I will use the hand sanitizer by the gate. If I want to wash my hands instead, I can go to the restroom by the Savanna Marketplace Eatery.







We will follow the exit sign to the ramp. We will walk down the ramp and continue the rest of our day at ZooTampa at Lowry Park.

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