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Confusion at the Museum

“Oh, no.” Charlie cried. “It’s all a!”

“I know,” said Kristen. “What we do?”

They were both looking in horror at the Children’s Science that had just opened. Both of them had a team of other kids design the museum, and today was the first day for visitors. Charlie and Kristen in the gallery looking down at the long hall. They could see that everyone was into one place. Nobody was, and nobody could see anything. “It’s our fault,” said Charlie. “We put all the in place, but we didn’t think about how people were going to move through the!”

“But we built a and it all looked fine,” said Kristen. “We double-checked everything. The reliability of the design, the of the materials ... It isn’t fair.”

“I know,” replied Charlie. “But it was also our to think about how people would walk around the building. The problem is we didn’t think about that! We only where to put the exhibits.”





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“Oh, no! And look over there,” cried Kristen with her hands on her head. “Everyone’s going in the gift shop before they the exhibition!”



“Yes. It was a bad to put the store so close to the entrance,” said Charlie

“But the museum director told us that accessibility to the gift shop was

Kristen’s phone rang. “Hello? Josh? What’s going on down there?”

Kristen to Josh’s answer and then said, “Oh, no! We’ll try to do something. I’ll call you back.”

“What now?” asked Charlie.

“Look down the hall. Can you see that woman who looks really?” Kristen said. “She asked Josh where the museum café was. Josh told her, but it’s so that the woman couldn’t get there.”

“Oh, no! Oh, no!” Charlie started walking and forth, and Kristen was breathing hard and turning red.

“What are we going to do?” asked Charlie. “It’s a disaster!”





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Kristen a deep breath. “Hang on. Let me think,” she said calmly. “I know. I’ll call Erica. She on a museum project last year. Maybe she can help.”

Ten minutes later, Charlie and Kristen a plan.

“OK,” said Kristen excitedly. “Erica me to change the signs so that people only go in one And she told me to the door to the gift shop on the other side so people visit it on their way out. Come on!” They down the stairs.





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An hour later, Charlie and Kristen standing in the gallery looking down again. They were both hot and tired, but happy.

“We did it!” Charlie.

They looked down and could see people happily looking at the, moving around, and chatting. There was no line at the store now.

“Something so simple!” said Kristen. “I can’t we didn’t think of it ourselves. All that.....for nothing!”

“It’s all right,” laughed Charlie. “Next time we’ll know. There’s no point in having cool exhibits if nobody can them!”

