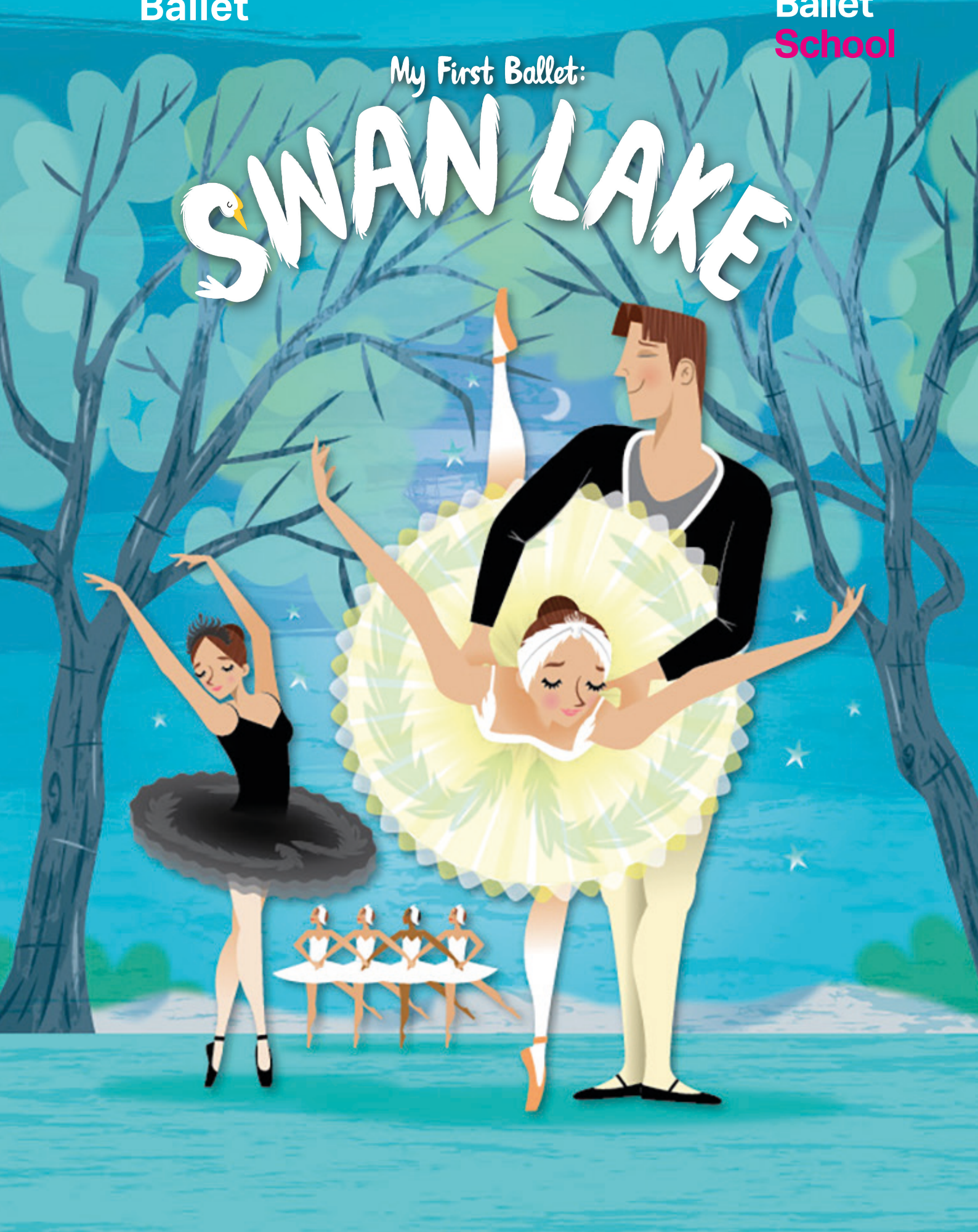


My First Ballet:

# SWAN LAKE



Welcome to the Peacock Theatre.

We are a West End theatre in Holborn. The Theatre is located on Portugal Street.

This visual story is intended to help prepare you for coming to see English National Ballet and English National Ballet School My First Ballet: Swan Lake.

We will firstly guide you through our theatre and then guide you through the show.



You will walk down Portugal street to get to the Peacock theatre. Look out for this sign. This signposts the theatre entrance.

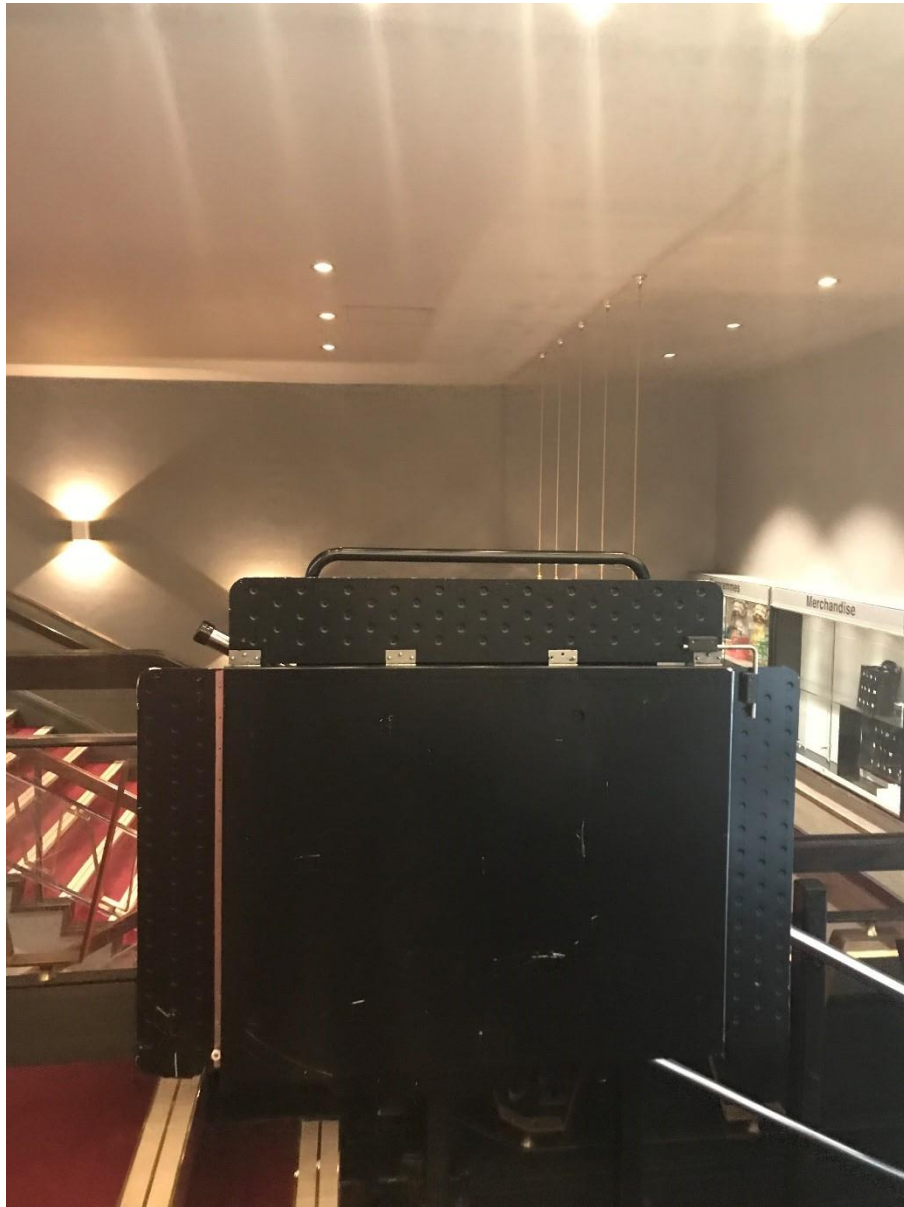




This is the front door of the theatre. You will walk through here and into the foyer.



Inside the main entrance of the theatre is the foyer. You can wait here before the show begins.



There is a lift you can take to get to the foyer.



When you walk into the foyer, there is a toilet on the left of the entrance.





Here is the ticket office where you may come to buy or collect your tickets for the show.





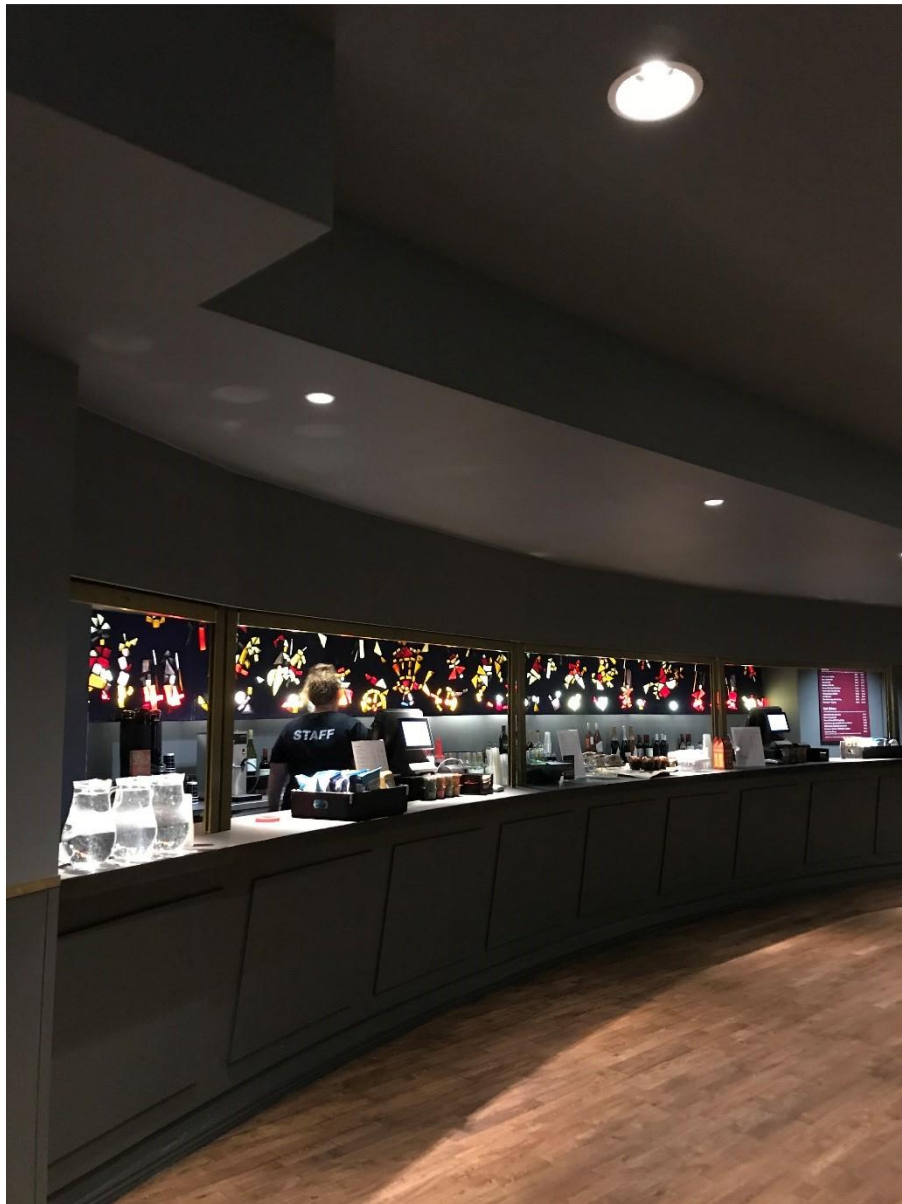
There are three levels – the foyer, dress circle and stalls. At the Peacock, you walk down the stairs to get to the dress circle and the stalls.



You may wish to take a lift to get to the dress circle or stalls. The lift is situated to the right of the main foyer. There is a lift attendant to assist with using the lift.



There is a seating area before you enter the auditorium in the dress circle and stalls.

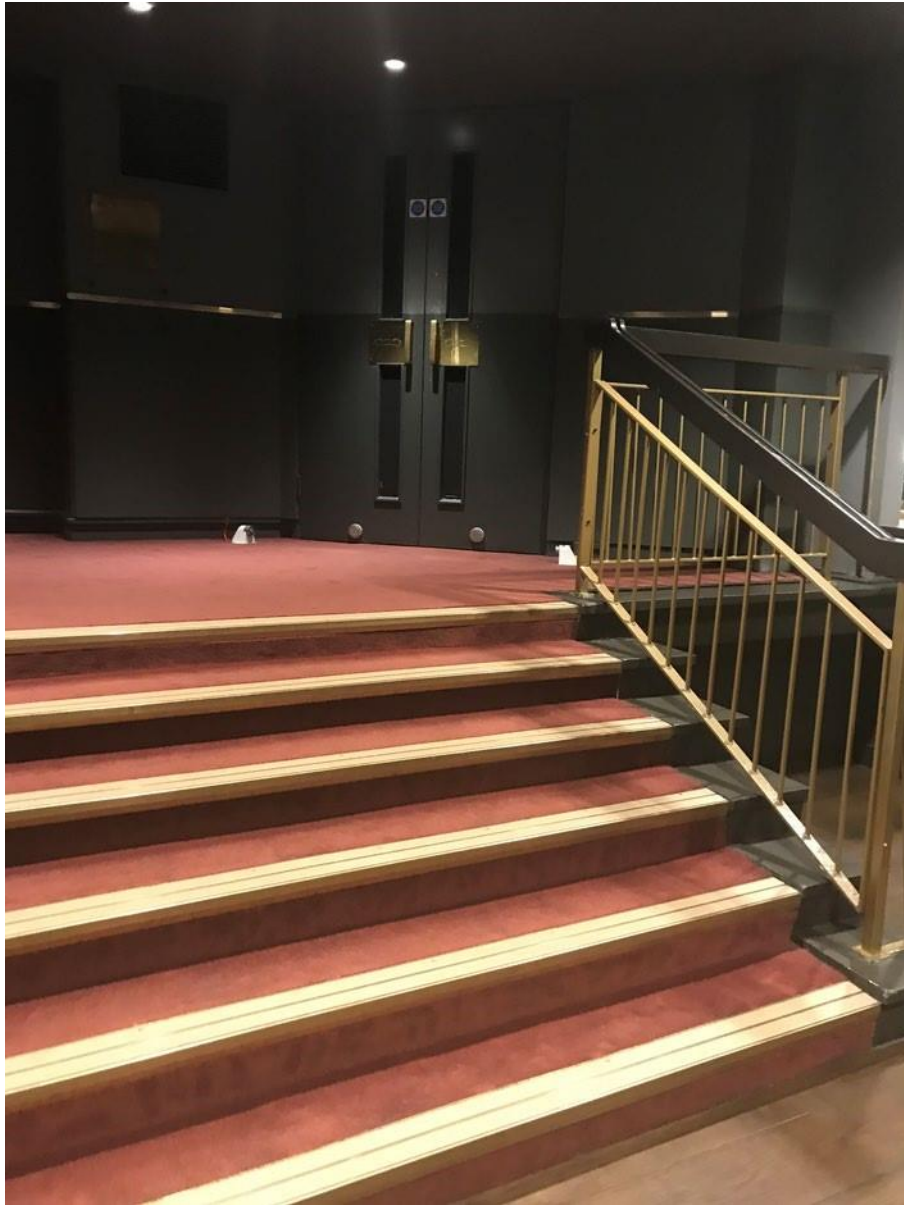


You can find a bar on the both the dress circle and stalls. Here you may like to buy snacks and drinks before the show.





Both the stalls and dress circle have seating areas where you can sit down and rest before the show begins and during the interval.



The entrances to the auditorium are found on both the left and right hand sides of the bar in dress circle and stalls.



There is a lift to get to the entrances of the auditorium you can use too.



This is the auditorium. This is where the show will take place. The auditorium seats approximately 1000 people.





An usher will check your ticket and you will have time to find your seat. The seats are in rows. You can ask an usher to help you find your seat.



During the show you can come and relax outside the auditorium in the dress circle or the stalls bar area.



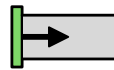
There are toilets in both the dress and stalls levels. There is an accessible toilet in the foyer area and at the stalls level.



After the show finishes the lights in the auditorium come back on and everyone will leave. You can wait in your seat until everyone else has gone and it becomes quieter.



We will now guide you through the story of  
English National Ballet and English  
National Ballet School  
My First Ballet: Swan Lake.



### Prologue



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Rothbart is a young ambitious wizard.



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Odile is Rothbart's little sister.



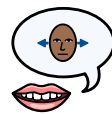
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Odette is friends with Odile.



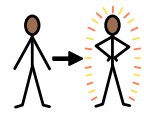
Rothbart likes Odette.



Rothbart proposes but Odette says no.

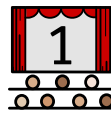


An angry Rothbart casts a spell.

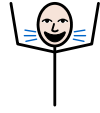


Odette becomes a swan.





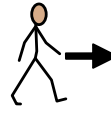
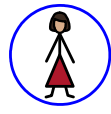
### Act One



18<sup>th</sup>



Prince Siegfried is celebrating his 18th birthday with friends.



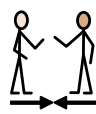
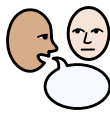
Siegfried's mother the Queen arrives and gives him a gift.



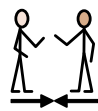
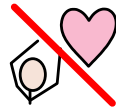
The gift is a crossbow.



The Queen thinks Siegfried should get married.



She tells him he must meet a bride at the ball tomorrow night.



Siegfried does not want to meet a bride at the ball.



The Queen is very unhappy and leaves.





# Swan Lake

## Story Summary



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Siegfried is also unhappy.



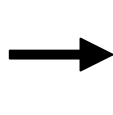
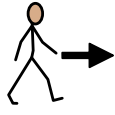
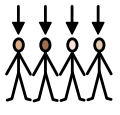
Siegfried's friends try to cheer him up.



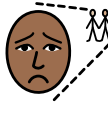
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Siegfried and his friends see a flock of swans.



They all follow the swans into the forest.



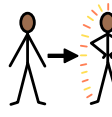
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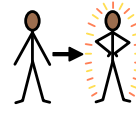
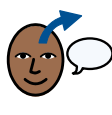
Siegfried sees a lonely swan and aims his crossbow.



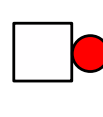
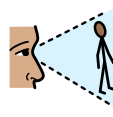
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The swan lands and turns into Odette.



She explains that Rothbart's spell turned her into a swan.



She can be seen as human at night by the lake.







# Swan Lake

## Story Summary



The spell



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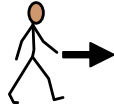
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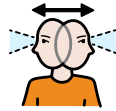
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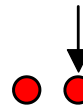
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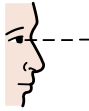
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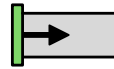
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Odette



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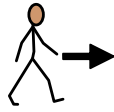
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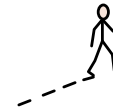
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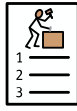
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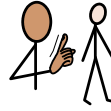
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Rothbart



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with someone else.



The spell



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if Siegfried



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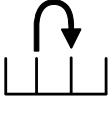
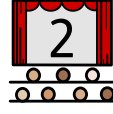
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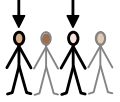

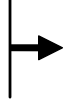




# Swan Lake

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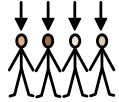

 Interval  then  Act 2






 It is  the evening of  Siegfried's  birthday  ball.




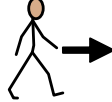

 The Queen  has invited  princesses  from  far away  lands.

 Some  princesses  are from  Spain,  Italy  and  Russia.

 The princesses  dance for  Prince Siegfried.

 Siegfried  does not want to  marry  any of  the princesses.

 He  is sad  and  wants to be  with Odette.

 Rothbart  and  Odile  arrive  at the ball.



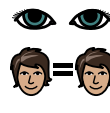
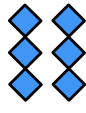


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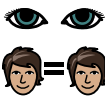
## Story Summary



Rothbart has given Odile a mask.



Odile is dressed like a swan and looks like Odette.



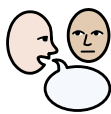
Odile does not know she looks like Odette.



Odile secretly loves Siegfried.



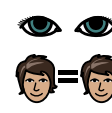
Siegfried thinks Odile is Odette and they dance.



He tells Odile he loves her.



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Odile sees Odette as a swan and realises she looks like her.



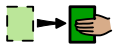
Odile loves Siegfried but feels she must tell the truth.



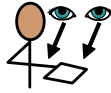
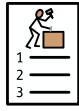


# Swan Lake

## Story Summary



Odile removes the mask.



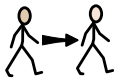
Rothbart's plan is revealed.



Siegfried leaves the ball and goes to the lake.



He is looking for Odette.



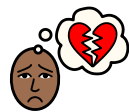
Odile follows Siegfried.



She is worried Rothbart will hurt Siegfried and Odette.



Odette thinks Siegfried loves someone else.



She is heartbroken and her friends comfort her.







# Swan Lake

## Story Summary



Rothbart arrives and grabs Odette.



The swans protect Odette but she falls down.



Siegfried finds Odette lying on the ground.



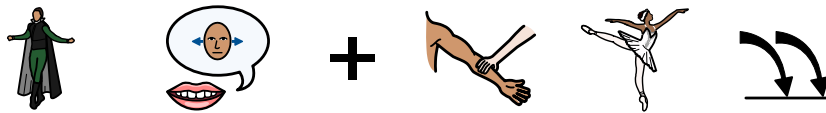
He thinks that Odette is dead.



Odette is not dead and gets up.



Odile begs Rothbart to break the spell.



Rothbart refuses and grabs Odette again.



Odette and Siegfried fight with Rothbart.





During



the fight



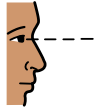
Odile



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Rothbart



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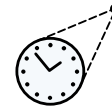
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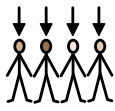
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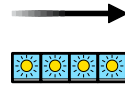
Everyone



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The End

