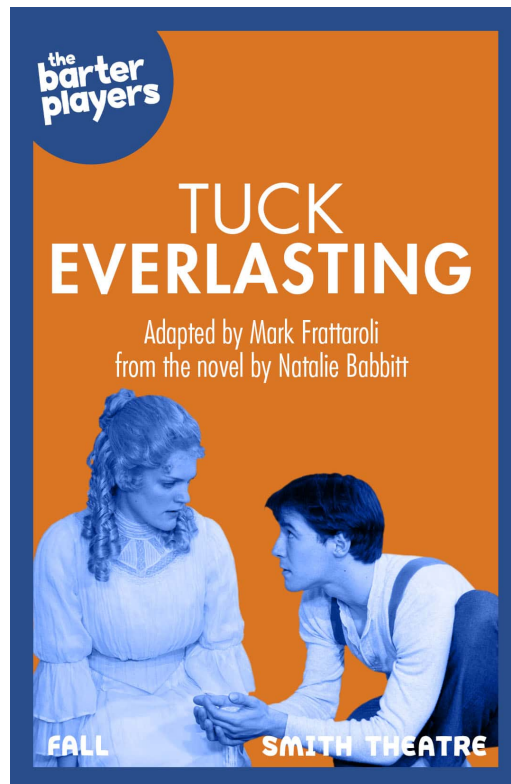


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Social Narrative for:

Tuck Everlasting

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I'm going to see a play called *Tuck Everlasting* at Barter's Smith Theatre! This play is about a girl who meets a family who live forever.



Seeing a play is like seeing a movie. The play will be performed by people right in front of me on stage. They are called actors, and the people they are playing are called characters.



Once arriving at the theatre, I will go into the lobby where I will get my tickets. If I am early, I can wait in the lobby or lounge where there will be toys. Other people will also be waiting for the show to begin.



Next, I'll enter the theatre and choose a seat for the show. I'll sit in a seat and wait for the show to start. Other people will be doing the same thing. We will all wait together for the performance to begin.



Just before the performance begins, some of the actors will come out to talk about things we use in the play that help us tell the story, like props, costumes, lights, and sound.



If at any point during the show I have a question or want to leave, I will ask for help quietly. There will be ushers who can help me, too. An usher is someone in a tan vest who works at the theatre.



If anything ever gets too loud I can put on my ear protection or cover my ears with my hands.



I'll know the performance is about to begin when the lights dim around me and someone on stage makes an announcement. After the announcement the lights will change again and I'll know the play is about to start.



At the beginning of the play, Mae Tuck and Angus Tuck are riding in a wagon and arrive in the village of Treenap.



We then meet Winnie Foster, a young girl, who wishes she could go on an adventure and make the world a better place.



The Stranger in the Yellow Suit appears, and Winnie's Granny comes out in the yard to tell the Stranger to go away. Then, they hear music from the woods near the Foster's house, and Winnie decides to go into the woods to find out what the music is.



In the woods, Winnie meets Jesse Tuck, a 17-year-old boy, who drinks water out of a spring underneath a tree.



Winnie discovers the Tuck family secret—that drinking magical water from the spring makes you immortal. Mae and Miles, Jesse’s mother and brother, take Winnie away to protect their secret.



Winnie, Mae, Jesse, and Miles then go to the Tuck’s home and meet Angus. Angus takes Winnie out on a boat on the pond and explains to her why it would be bad if anyone else found out about the magical water.



The Stranger follows Winnie, hears the story of the Tucks, and comes back to Granny's house. The Stranger tells Granny they will bring back Winnie if the Fosters give their woods to the Stranger. Granny agrees.



Winnie goes to bed at the Tucks' house. Jesse talks with Winnie, and asks her to drink the magical water when she's seventeen, and live forever with him.



The Stranger comes to the Tuck's house, explains to the family that he knows their secret, and plans to sell the water to the public. The Stranger then tries to take Winnie away from the Tucks.



Mae, to protect Winnie, hits the Stranger over the head with the back side of a rifle. It's important to remember that even though it may look like actors are hurt or fighting, it's all pretend and everyone is safe.



The Constable (a police officer) takes Mae to jail for hitting the Stranger, and takes Winnie home. The Constable says that Mae may be punished by hanging on a gallows. Even though this wording might be scary, it's important to remember everyone is safe.



Jesse visits Winnie and tells her the Tucks are going to break Mae out of jail and leave town for a long, long time. Jesse gives Winnie a bottle of the magical water for her to drink when she's seventeen.



Winnie helps the Tucks set Mae free. The Tucks leave.



Back at her home, Winnie sees a dog barking at her toad friend. Winnie decides to pour the magical water on the toad, so he will be safe and live forever.



50-years later, Angus and Mae Tuck are driving back into Treegap. Angus finds a cemetery, and finds Winnie's headstone. She lived a long life, and did not drink the magical water.



Mae and Angus drive away, swerving the car to miss Winnie's toad sitting in the middle of the road.



The play is about 55 minutes long. If at any point during the show I think something is funny I can laugh. If I ever think the actors did a good job I can clap. I'll know the play is over because people around me will start clapping their hands, and I can clap too if I want. Then the lights will come all the way back up, and I can leave the theatre.

CHARACTERS IN *TUCK EVERLASTING*

Here are the names and photos of the characters you'll see in *Tuck Everlasting*!

WINNIE FOSTER



JESSE TUCK



MAE TUCK



ANGUS TUCK



MILES TUCK



THE STRANGER IN THE YELLOW SUIT



GRANNY FOSTER



THE CONSTABLE

