## **Core Skills Analysis**

#### Life skills

- Max demonstrated practical skills in navigating a public venue by purchasing tickets and interpreting a seating map, essential for independent outings.
- He practiced personal responsibility and planning by locating his specific seat, indicating understanding of spatial directions and following instructions.
- Max showed engagement with a social and cultural activity, indicative of independent leisure management and self-guided entertainment.
- The sequential nature of his actions exemplifies organizational skills and task completion from entry to seating.

# **Tips**

To further develop Max's life skills, encourage him to plan an outing involving public transportation to build on wayfinding and time management. Introduce map reading exercises with varied public scenarios, such as museums or parks, to enhance spatial awareness. Practice budgeting activities by having Max compare ticket prices or plan snacks within a budget to foster financial literacy. Roleplay scenarios for social interactions in public places to boost confidence in communication and problem-solving.

### **Book Recommendations**

- <u>The Survival Guide for Teenagers</u> by Kent P. Brown: A comprehensive guide covering practical tips for independence, decision-making, and navigating everyday scenarios for teens.
- <u>How to Be a Responsible Teenager</u> by Meghan May: Focuses on developing essential life skills including planning, organization, and social skills for teens.
- <u>Map Skills for Today</u> by Alice Rooney: Teaches map reading and spatial orientation through engaging activities relevant for young learners.

### **Learning Standards**

- ACELY1746 Interpreting and using maps and plans for navigation and understanding spatial information.
- ACPPS074 Demonstrating personal and interpersonal skills to function independently and navigate social settings.
- ACPPS078 Practising self-management and organization in daily tasks.

### **Try This Next**

- Create a worksheet where Max maps out his route from home to the cinema using a city map and public transport schedules.
- Design a quiz on reading various types of maps (cinema seating, park maps, mall layouts) to boost spatial reasoning.

### **Growth Beyond Academics**

Max's activity reflects growing independence and responsibility, suggesting an emerging confidence in handling social environments. His focused approach to finding his seat hints at developing organizational skills and a calm, task-oriented mindset.