

Tips for a Successful Family Visit

Before Your Visit

There is a lot to see and do at the Computer History Museum, so be sure to plan your visit with your family's interests and needs in mind. Talk together about what you would like to see. Explore our website to learn more about the Museum's collections and to find out about programs and events you might want to participate in. Print out our free, and use it to help plan your route through *Revolution*.

Remember that the experience of visiting a new space can be exciting, and also tiring. Choose a time of day that works well for your children, and plan to take rests or visit the Museum café when they need a break. Don't try to take on too much in one day.

At the Museum

Pick up a Visitor Guide to find basic information about the Museum and a floor plan for *Revolution*. If you have not brought a Discovery Deck, pick one up before you go into the exhibition.

Family visits often work well when the children lead, so follow their interests and be open to changing your plans if they discover something new or unexpected. Share your stories and questions together. Let older children tell you what they know, and let them read labels to help everyone in the family discover more. Bring younger children into the conversation by asking for their questions and explaining information in language that they can understand.

Museum staff and volunteers are here to help so be sure to ask questions when you see them in the exhibition.

Finally, you and your children can help us protect our historical artifacts by following our Visitor Guidelines. Please keep your children under supervision at all times.

After Your Visit

Share what you learned together. Were there any surprises? What was the coolest computer you saw? Which innovator had the most interesting personal story? Did any new questions come up during your visit? What do you think the future holds?