Freedom from Boredom
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My family and I are bored like we had gotten a punishment for not doing anything, but sitting alone. Since I am having a holiday, my family has decided to go to a mall named Terminal 21, which is on Sukhumvit Road, near the Asoke intersection, in Bangkok.

We get on the sky train and as we are getting closer and closer to the Terminal 21 sky train station we notice that it is sparkling with lights. We see many people filling the mall. As we get in we see groups and pairs of people walking around. Terminal 21 is connected to the BTS Station so we don’t need to go down the BTS Station. I am amazed by the theme of this mall.

I feel as if I have reached the streets of Paris. This is the M Floor (Mezzanine Floor) and this is from where we enter Terminal 21. This floor is decorated like the streets of Paris and is full of Thai designer's boutiques and beauty shops. It has sculptures of Arc de Triomphe and Eiffel Tower. You may find many no-brand shops but there are some brand named as well, such as Esprit, AIIZ, Etude and Charles & Keith where you can buy shoes and bags. If you want coffee there is no need to worry there is a coffee shop on this floor.

But the best part is about to come. Guess what? It is none other than the restroom! When I enter, I see mirrors of many shapes all set up like paintings. And when I get close to have a look at the paintings I realise that they are paintings of me, or perhaps just mirrors. I open the doorway to the toilet seat and see that the toilet seat is not what I expected. It’s just normal but at the side there are many buttons to heat the seat, to on the jet, etc. I head to wash my hands. I see that the washbasins are shaped like glass bowls. There are even automatic washbasin tap controllers and the soap dispensers are stuck to the slab.

I wanted to visit all floors in order from the bottom to the top but we arrived by a sky train so we didn’t enter from the bottom floor. I go down two floors by the escalator and reach the LG Floor (Lower Ground Floor).

As I put my feet on the floor of the Lower Ground Floor I feel the floor bumps. The floor is quite bumpy as they have made it. This floor gives me a feeling that I am in a Caribbean Beach Town. This floor is decorated with a beach, a sea anchor and a lighthouse. There are restaurants and bookshops like Asia Books on this floor. There is even a burger shop there named Mos Burgers. I can get ice cream as well at Baskin Robbins or juice from De Juice. Or I can go to Mister Donut or I can go to Crepe Box and get a delicious crepe. They are all located on the LG Floor.

Every floor has a really nice restroom and you have to visit them even though you do not need to. I have never seen any toilets like these before. On this floor the restroom’s walls are made of red bricks. The washbasins are shaped like bowls. Each washbasin has a different colour. There are three washbasins and one hanging lamp above each one of them with the exact same colour. There are two other washbasins at the right with a lower height and also have hanging lamps above them. There is one
big, mirror in front of the three washbasins and one mirror shaped like a hand mirror in front of each washbasin with the lower height.

The next floor is the G Floor (Ground Floor). This floor gives me a feeling that I am in Rome. This floor is decorated with sculptures of Roman mythological creatures made out of marble and paintings. This floor has brand named shops like Adidas, Camel Active, Jaspal, and Nike.

Now, I enter to see how the restroom looks. The restroom is amazing. This is the restroom I like the best. I don’t know where to enter from. There are mirrors everywhere. I see a lady enter and I follow her. The washbasins are shaped like one big fountain. There are sensor taps and soap dispensers on each side of the fountain.

I am now on the escalator which is taking me to the first floor. The first floor now gives me an idea of how Tokyo looks like. I see sculptures of Sumo, Torii, Samurai, and Maneki Neko on this floor. I spy a coffee shop named Coffee World. There are also other shops named Sugar & Cream, Ange, Lover, Na, Tsu, Oh-Sap, Happy, and many more. As I walk by the stores and look up I see hanging lantern lamps with something written on them in Japanese.

I visit the restroom again to see its decor. This time the washbasins are shaped like flat bowls. In front of them is one big mirror and above them are thin hanging lantern lamps.

Now I’m on the second floor, which looks a lot like the streets of London. This floor is decorated with red telephone boxes where you can actually go in but the telephones are fake. This floor is also decorated with a double-decker, which has shops inside. This floor has a theme of Oxford Street with shops for men’s clothing. I also see that there are shops named Bang Bang, Carrot, Human Fight, and more. These shops mostly sell T-shirts, jeans, and clothes for sports. Now, I feel like I want to drink a smoothie but I don’t know where. I turn around and see that there is Squeeze, a shop to buy smoothie.

I reach the next floor, which has the theme of Istanbul. Istanbul’s Market Town is everything I see. It is decorated with Istanbul style lamps. There is a bench with a sculpted man sitting and playing an instrument, but there is enough space at his left for you to sit. This floor has shops where you can buy shoes, bags, jewelry, gifts, and decoration.

The restrooms again! The mirrors in front of the washbasins are shaped like keyholes and have thick red borders. The washbasins are made out of marble and the tap is made of a golden colored metal.

I go on the escalator to the next floor, which is the 4th floor. Its theme is San Francisco (city). It looks like the Chinatown of San Francisco. I see that this floor is decorated with sculptures of the San Francisco Trams and Golden Gate Bridge with toy cars on it. I can also see that this floor is full of places to eat such as Sunrise Taco, Red Mango, Hacihan, Pepper Lunch, Steak Lao, Piri Piri, Canton House, and Swensens. I also see KFC, Royal Kitchen, Jeffer Steak, Japanese restaurants, and Thai restaurants as well. You are sure to leave this mall full for the whole month.
The toilet of the forth floor has washbasins with the black color. Underneath each washbasin is a white barrel with a picture of a crab and BLUECRAB written on it. There are sensor taps and the soap dispensers are stuck to the wall in front. There are round mirrors in front of the washbasins. There is a small washbasin on the right with the exact same features.

I go one floor up again and now I am on the 5th floor. The theme is San Francisco (pier). This floor has international restaurants and a food court named Pier 21. It is decorated with seaports and fisherman villages. There are other restaurants like KFC, The Manhattan, Fish Market, Royal Kitch, and San Saap.

I have reached the last floor of the mall, which is the 6th floor. The theme of this floor is Hollywood Studio. It is decorated with sculptures of the Hollywood Sign and an Oscar Statuette. It has SF Cinema City, a health club named Fitness First, a spa, and IT Mobile products.

As I am walking through the corridor that leads to the toilet I notice that the floor is red and shiny and at the right the wall is full of pictures of a huge crowd of people talking, screaming with joy, and other things people do if they see a celebrity. The floor inside the toilet has red stars as if it is the walk of fame. The washbasin is white with a rectangular shape. There is a sensor tap just like on the other floors.

I have had a fun day in an amazing shopping mall and I finally had freedom from boredom.