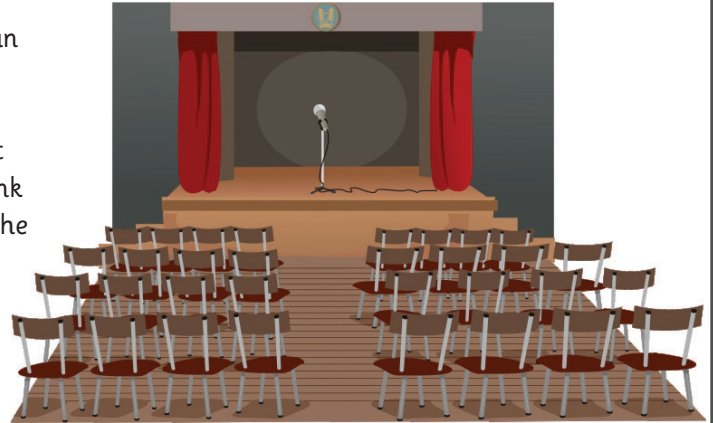


Position the parents

This activity helps your child to understand instructions that involve position. These words tell you where something is and can be tricky as their meaning can change depending on the context.

For this activity your child needs to seat parents at a special assembly in school. You will need the blank hall plan and the seating plans. Show your child the blank hall plan and talk about the position of the tables using the following position words:

‘centre’, ‘front row’, ‘back row’,
‘first on the right’, ‘third from the left’,
‘facing front’ and ‘facing back’.



Let your child use the blank hall plan and you choose a seating plan. Sit so your child can't see the seating plan. Give them instructions to seat parents A to G. Your child will need to write the letter for each parent on their seat. At the end you can compare both plans to see if they are the same. Remember to use lots of position words in your instructions,

e.g.

Parent A needs to sit on a table in the **second row from the front**. The table is **third from the left**. They are sitting **facing the front** on the **second chair from the left**.

Parent C needs to sit in the **back row** on a table that is closest to the entrance on the **left side**. They are **facing back** on the **third chair from the left**.

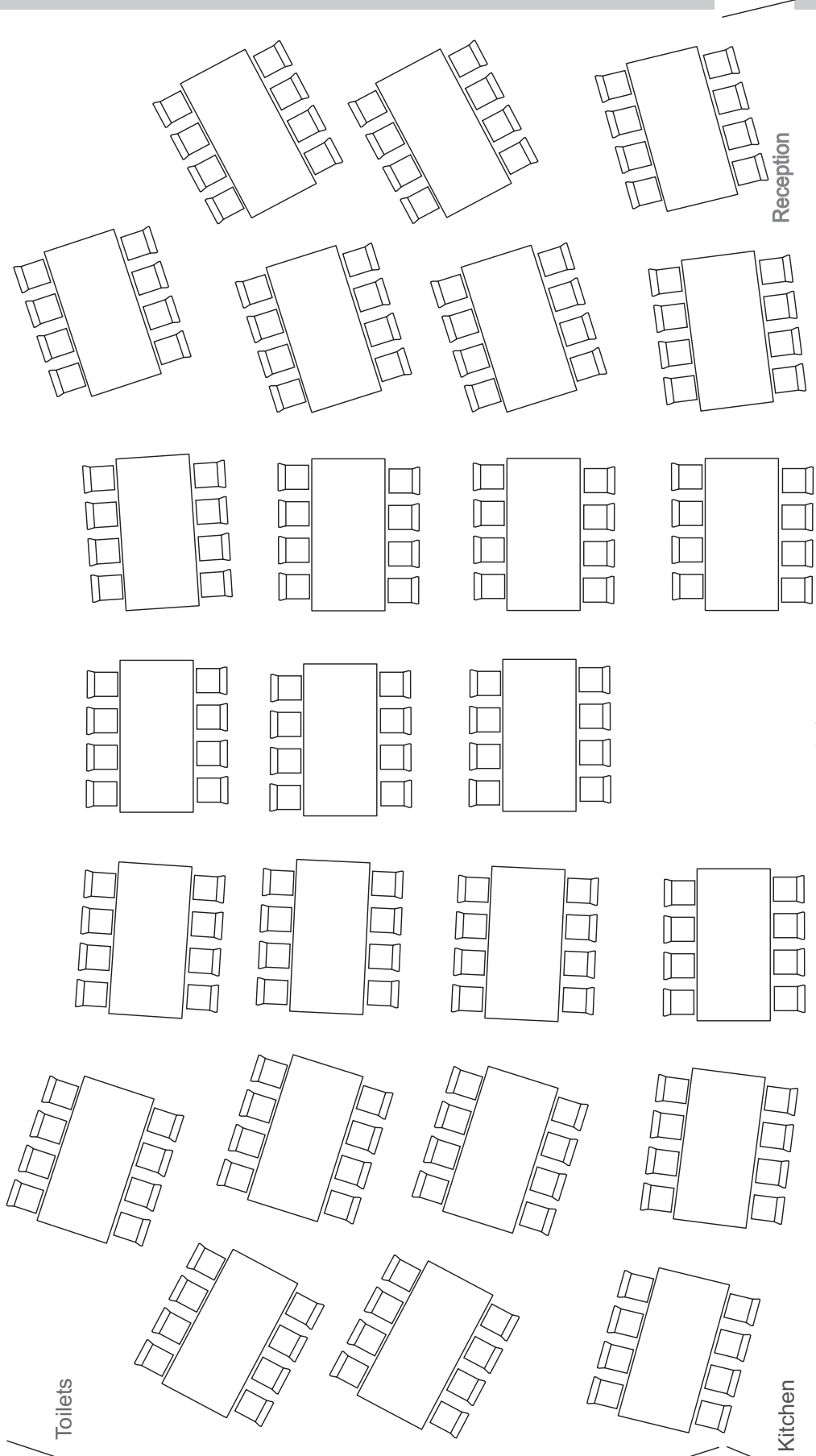
You may need to help your child with the first few instructions. Discuss the reasons for choosing seats for different parents saying your reasons for the choice, e.g. "It can't be this seat because this is the first from the left and we need the second from the right!".

Variations:

Once your child can position the parents swap roles so they give you the instructions and you mark the seat on a blank hall plan. Make sure you tell them when you don't understand and what they need to do to make it clearer for you. Encourage your child to use the position words in their instructions.

Position the Parents - Blank Hall Plan

Stage



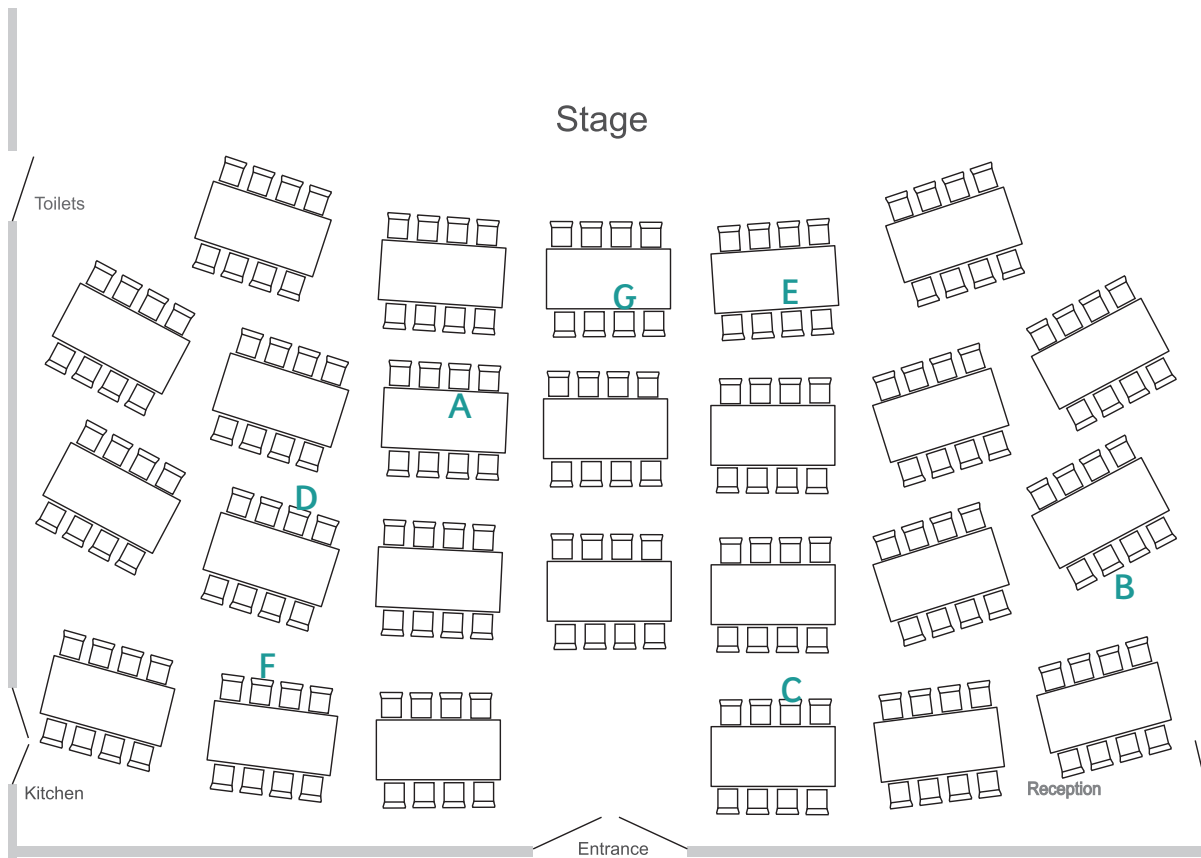
Toilets

Kitchen

Entrance

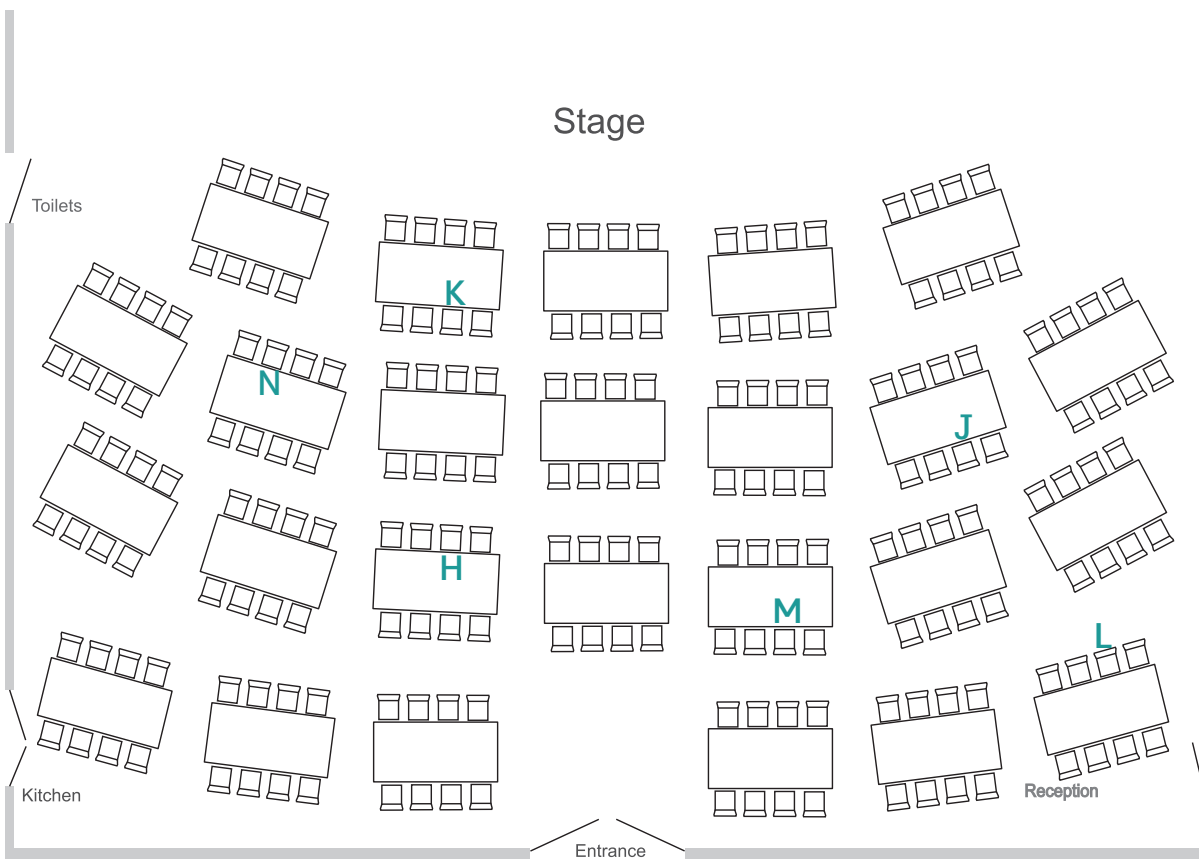
Reception

Seating Plan 1



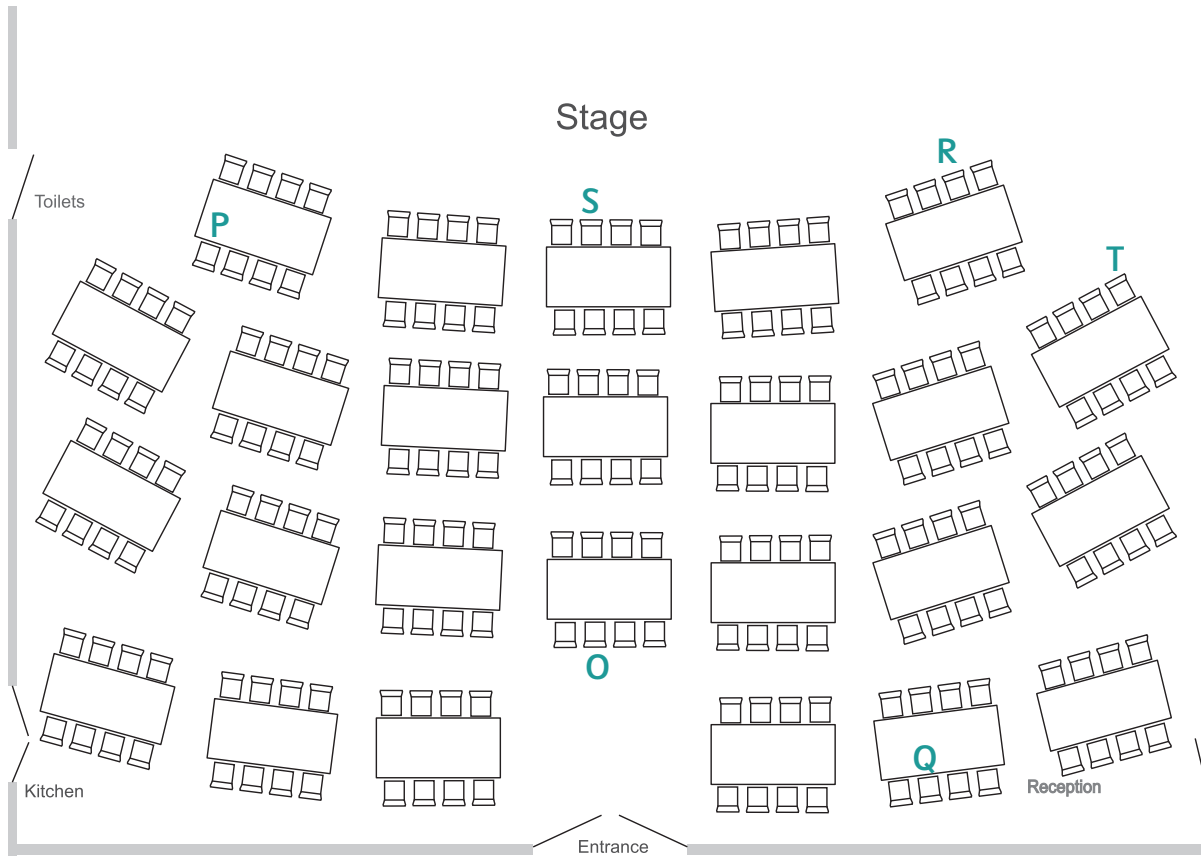
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Seating Plan 2



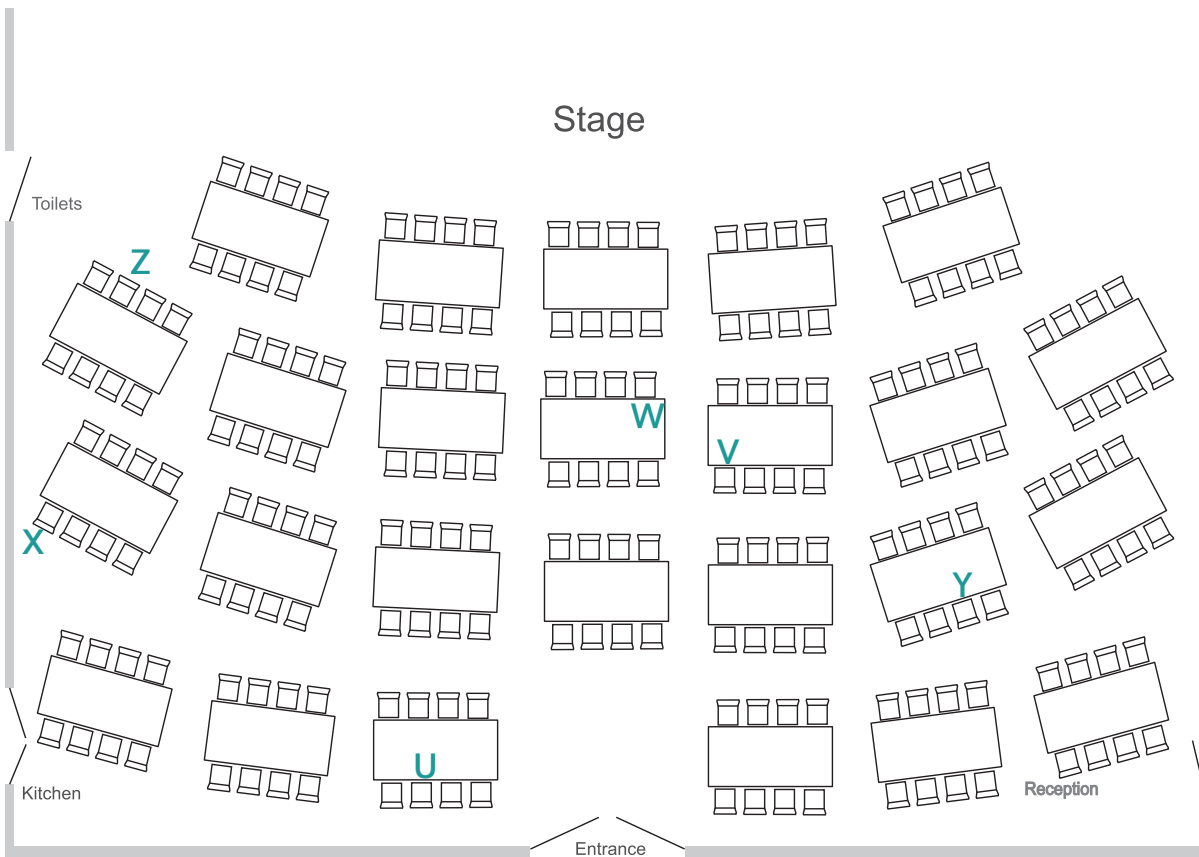
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Seating Plan 3



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