Kaitlyn Transcript

A young woman, Kaitlyn, with long blonde hair and glasses, is moving books across a library shelf.

Voice Over: I’m Kaitlyn and I work at the Geraldton Regional Library. And I’ve been working here for about 15 years.

She picks up some books from a trolley and places them onto shelves. This room is very colourful with murals on the wall and multi coloured books displayed on top of the shelves.

Voice Over: It’s awesome to work here with books, cause it’s got all different genres of books.

Kaitlyn wheels a trolley loaded with books through a corridor between shelves in the fiction section. She takes a book to look at from the shelves.

Voice Over: I’m a reader and I love getting out lots of books every single week.

Kaitlyn carries a load of books under her arms as she goes out of the library and into the street. She walks across a crosswalk which has different coloured bollards made to look like giant childrens’ crayons.

Voice Over: I love working at the front desk cause its fun, and just meeting new people and helping them.

Back in the library, Kaitlyn scans a book at the front desk computer. She stands next to an older female colleague with white hair and glasses, and they wave at customers who are coming in.

Voice Over: I also like the people that I work with. I see them like family and personal close friends.

Kaitlyn chats with the first colleague and another male colleague who is sitting at the end of the front desk. She scans a book and holds it up for them to see. The front cover in red and yellow says Iris Johansen Roy Johansen Hindsight.

Voice Over: At the front desk we check out the books so people can take them out.

A book slides down a chute next to Kaitlyn at her computer. It falls into a container below, on top of many others. The title on the first book is Katie Flynn Liverpool Daughter and the one below is Marie Duenas.

Voice Over: And afterwards they bring them back to return and we scan the book back in and put it on the trolley to be shelved and put back.

Kaitlyn is standing in front of the scanner at the front desk. She opens an audio book cover with CDs. She then scans another book and pops it into the trolley. She wheels the trolley past her colleagues and into a brightly coloured area with couches and book displays.

Voice Over: I like shelving the books, cause I get to make it nice and neat and tidy, and I take my time. And I put all the books away into the right alphabetical order.

Kaitlyn arranges the books on the trolley into a neat order. She orders tightly packed books on the library shelves and rearranges ones in open boxes. The word Junior can be seen on the wall behind her.

Voice Over: I usually do a book display in the junior section. For example, we do different themes. So, we do like Saint Patrick’s Day or Australia Day, Christmas or Easter.

Kaitlyn puts large childrens picture books onto display stands against a wall with lots of posters and other books on display. The books have titles like: Where are you from? Aussie Year, and A is for Australia. On the shelves above the display there is a row of different international flags.

In the background, a woman in shorts and t shirt sits with her two small toddlers at a kid’s table and chairs. She reads to them from a book called Where Will I Go. The little girl puts her hands on the table to lift herself up to see the book and then points to the book as her brother looks on.

Voice Over: So, with the display, it’s quite fun for the kids so they can learn what the theme is and sometimes we have a big one, which is like an author that comes in and they get to read out their books.

Kaitlyn’s hand reaches for a book on a shelf. The title on the book close by is Tale of Two Cities and there are three more books by Jane Austen beside it.

Kaitlyn opens the book that she takes out.

Voice Over: I’ve been reading since I was little, probably about four or three. I like all different kinds of stories. I like reading Jane Austen books because it’s a classic, and it’s a classic romance and I like reading books that are out of my comfort zone.

We now see Kaitlyn in different clothes, reading on her couch with her small dog across her lap. The book cover says Jane Austen. Sense and Sensibility. She smiles as she reads and pats her dog.

Voice Over: I like mixing it up a bit with magical worlds and fantasy worlds. I love reading a lot. It grows my mind. So that’s how I start to get into writing.

Kaitlyn’s hair falls close to her face as she leans forward and writes with a purple pen. She is sitting at a table where there are coloured pencils standing upright on a board. There is a large birdcage behind her and a picture window that frames a view of sky and sea.

Voice Over: I usually like to write poems. I like writing cause its relaxing and it’s just one of my passions and I just love writing. I can imagine myself being in a book.

Kaitlyn is seen from above as she types on a laptop in her home office. She pauses to read what she has written.

Voice Over: So, the library runs a Randolph Stow Writing Festival and The Big Sky Festival. And I’d like to be involved in that, to get to know the authors and also helping out. I have a creative mind and I would like to use that.

Kaitlyn scans more books at the front desk. She uses the computer and then stands next to her colleague as they both look at something on the screen.

Voice Over: In the future, I would like to do some more training. I would like to work with computers, cause I have really good IT skills.

An older lady with short grey hair and a pink top stands on the other side of the front desk as she and Kaitlyn chat. Kaitlyn scans a book for her.

Voice Over: I would like to work at the front desk more and doing a bit of customer service out there. And I would like to help people get books out by using the computer.

In the Junior section, Kaitlyn leans down to take more books from the trolley, then wheels the trolley from the Junior section through the library.

Voice Over: I love the atmosphere here when it’s quiet and chilled and I enjoy coming in here and working around the books. It’s just fun working here.

After seeing Kaitlyn again at the front desk, we see her from her interview smiling as she talks.

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