Tea-bet

Environment Tibetan flags fluttering in breeze from electric fan. Wind machine. Tiny village on rolling green (faux) grass hills, birds. Wind streamers, whirrers and fans. Tablecloth mountain on pulley. Hammock swing. Cuppa tree, strings of teabags, covered trolley with teapot, sugar and biscuits. Tea in flask. Milk bottle puppets. Balloon - white parachute, lit, with mobile, swinging tabletop underneath. Paper cup strings. Bamboo fence basket. White gauze clouds. Bet-tea the Yeti costume. Sound effects - wind/balloon.



Windy mountain Feel the breeze and see flags flying as you enter space. Sound of wind machine. Play in the wind with streamers, make breeze with fans, hear sounds of whirrers, blow, make sounds down the tubes, calling each other. Play in Windy mountain under, around, inside the voiles. Travel through to find...











Balloon Climb aboard and take your seats, prepare for lift off and count down. Balloon 'lifts', lights and sound effects. Feel the table move and swing as the balloon goes higher or sit in the hammock swing with feet off the ground. Paper cups swirl in the air and Tablecloth mountains disappears from view as you travel through the clouds (gauze). Prepare for landing countdown, land and lights and sound cease. Where are we?



Cuppa Tree Find the tree filled with cups and tea-bags - strange place. Milk bottle puppet appears and greets each person, then his friends arrive and all play and interact with each other, having fun...but.... no milk! How can we have a cup of tea?

Bet-tea the Yeti suddenly appears - wild, exuberant and v. friendly! Welcomes all and engages with each client on their terms. Very popular. She has special milky tea and invites group to join her for tea and biscuits. Everyone chooses a cup from the tree and settles down for a lovely snack. Soon time to leave so goodbyes are said and the balloon lifts off again and we enjoy another swinging journey home.









Evaluation Windy section difficult, until we moved swing to a new place. Village little used - except by young kids groups and Jackie! Streamers good, but got tangled up, whirrers difficult to make sound, but great for focused 1-1 work, calling, blowing down tubes, making sounds on wind machine. Fans great for making wind. Wind machine visually v. engaging, drew many clients to explore lights/shadows on slats and sounds as it turned. Balloon was amazing. All enjoyed the swinging table feeling - gave movement to this section as parachute and cup strings all swayed as well. Puppets were engaging though many preferred to make sounds with them, by banging together or on table! Bet-tea was the star of the week! Had some unusual interactions with people who seldom engage actively in that 1-1 situation i.e. Yitzchok finding hat for her. Brilliant - need to revisit at some point.