There are two times in the first half of the show when actors pretend to be injured:

- The children pretend to get an electric shock
- There is a crash and loud noises during the nutcracker ballet
- Everyone is pretending that these things are happening. No one actually gets hurt, and nothing actually falls.

Sometimes, the characters refer to things that happened before, that we do not see happen in this play.

Sometimes the characters will tell us about something that happened before, so that we can understand what is happening in this play.

Sometimes the characters speak directly to the audience about it. Sometimes they speak to each other about it.