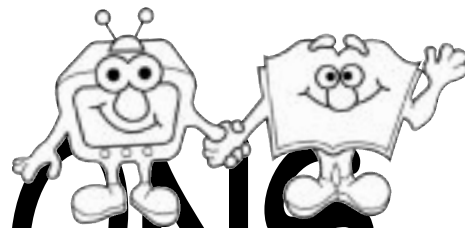


CONNECTIONS



Making good TV better for young children

Start with a great PBS show.

Connect to a book and an activity for fun and powerful learning.

Look inside for ideas on TV and book connections.



Book of the Month *Frog and Toad Are Friends*

Frog and Toad learn the give and take of true friendship in these five delightful stories.

➤ Read the book, *Frog and Toad Are Friends* to your child. Reading stories about friendship lets you talk with your child about being a good friend.

➤ Take a snapshot of your child with his/her friend. Have two copies made—one for your child and one for the friend. Place the photos in frames to display in a special place.

➤ Give your child the opportunity to make something for a friend. It could be a card, a clay sculpture, or a picture. Encourage your child to really think about what might make their friend happy before they begin the project.

➤ Watching TV characters like Barney, Big Bird, and Arthur solve their problems gives children ideas for how they might act with their friends.

Fun Things To Do With Your Child



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November Theme: Friendship



Link IdahoPTV shows to a book to foster a love of reading.

Children's Friendships: What to expect

Babies – Enjoy looking at other babies.

Toddlers - Love company, but don't really play the same game together.

3 years old – Look for playmates who will exchange toys and pretend with them.

4 years old – Love to make plans with friends.

5-6 years old – Separate into boys and girls, exclude others more, enjoy larger groups.

7-10 – Test out all different kinds of friendships, focus less on self and more on others.



www.pbskids.org/clifford
Airs weekdays at 7:30/6:30 a.m.
and 3:00/2:00 p.m. MT/PT
4:30 p.m. PT
Sundays 5:30/4:30 a.m. MT/PT

CLIFFORD and his friends stimulate children's social-emotional growth by modeling relationships in which people respect each other, cooperate, and resolve conflicts as they play and work together.

Being a Friend

Friends help children learn about caring, sharing, and getting along. Friendships last longer when children enjoy one another's company and when they can handle disagreements that arise during play. If your child seems to have a difficult time making or keeping friends, he/she might need your help.

The first step is to see where he is having problems. Watch your child with other children. Is it hard for him to greet another child and start some kind of activity? Or do problems come up later, during play? For example, does he cry or argue or sulk when he doesn't get his own way? Does he order other children around?

Once you notice what your child finds difficult, you can begin to help. If your child is shy and has trouble starting up a game or conversation, try some role

plays. "Let's pretend we're at the park and you see someone you'd like to play with. What could you say first? Then what?" Suggest some words to help get started. Reassure your child that if someone doesn't welcome his greeting, then that child is probably shy, too!

If problems arise at a later stage in the friendship, your child may need practice in solving problems. If he shouts, gives orders, or grabs, help your child figure out what words and actions would work better. Help him see how to use these words and actions in a similar situation. In the heat of the moment, it can be hard to remember to use these new skills. With practice, your child will get better at using them.

Children need lots of practice with the give-and-take of friendships. As they try different ways of talking and acting with friends, they figure out which ways work best.



www.pbs.org/barney
Airs weekdays at 8:00/
7:00 a.m. MT/PT
Repeats at 2:00/1:00 p.m. MT/PT
Sundays at 7:00/6:00 a.m.
MT/PT.

The lovable purple dinosaur and his young friends share adventures featuring songs, dances and games that make learning fun for children.

Nov. Titles

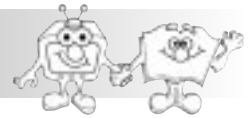
- 1 *Ox-Cart Man* (Life in the 1800s)
- 2 *Mystery on the Docks* (Docks)
- 5 *A Chair For My Mother* (Teamwork)
- 6 *Paul Bunyan* (Paul Bunyan, trees)
- 7 *The Patchwork Quilt* (Family memories)
- 8 *Hill of Fire* (Volcanoes)
- 9 *The Tortoise and the Hare* (Competitions)
- 12 *Perfect the Pig* (Pigs)
- 13 *Animal Café* (Late night in New York)
- 14 *Alistair in Outer Space* (Libraries)



www.gpn.unl.edu/rainbow
Weekdays at 2:30/1:30 MT/PT

- 15 *Feelings* (Emotions and communication)
- 16 *Watch the Stars Come Out* (Immigrants to America)
- 19 *Mama Don't Allow* (Music)
- 20 *Space Case* (Aliens and Earth's wonders)
- 21 *The Milk Makers* (Milk and milking cows)
- 22 *Imogene's Antlers* (Zoo animals)
- 23 *Germs Make Me Sick!* (How the body fights germs)
- 26 *Abiyoyo* (Story telling techniques)
- 27 *The Life Cycle of the Honey Bee* (Beehives and honey)
- 28 *Keep the Lights Burning, Abbie* (Lighthouses and sailing)
- 29 *Chickens Aren't the Only Ones* (Chicken farm; turtles lay eggs)
- 30 *The Paper Crane* (Origami and "Festival of the Drums")

November Theme: Friendship

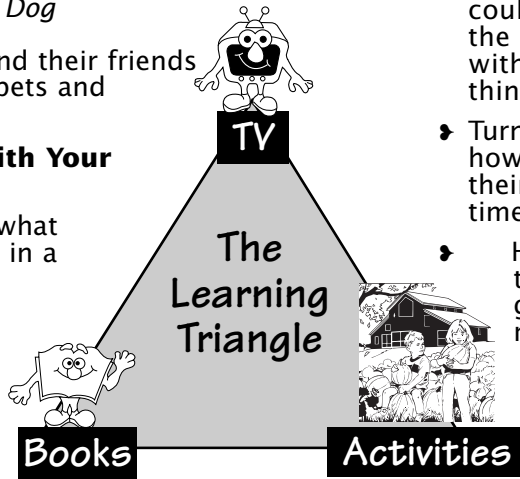


Watch: SAGWA, THE CHINESE SIAMESE CAT
Monday, November 19 at 4:00/3:00 MT/PT
SAGWA and friends learn about cooperation and including everyone.

Read: *Clifford the Big Red Dog*
By Norman Bridwell
Clifford, Emily Elizabeth, and their friends in a fun-filled story about pets and friendship.

Things to Talk About With Your Child

- Discuss with your child what qualities they would like in a friend.
- Talk about how our actions affect others.
- Ask your child what she might do to help a new child in the neighborhood.



Activities:

- Use puppets to act out happy and sad moments in your children's lives. Show them how one action causes other things to happen. Stop and ask, "What could the puppet do now?" And put their ideas into the story. This helps them think about problems with friends where a kind action might have made things better.
- Turn off the sound on a TV show and try to guess how each character is feeling. Talk about what clues their faces and actions give you. After you do it a few times, ask your kids to try.
- Have two children work together to keep a soft toy balanced on one of their heads. When they get good at it, suggest extra challenges to make it harder.
- Kneel side by side with a friend. Bring one foot forward and try to tie your shoe using one of your hands and one of your friend's hands. Then do it to your friend's shoe.

Enjoy the special friendships on **SESAME STREET**, **ARTHUR**, and **DRAGON TALES**.



www.pbs.org/kids/sesame/
Airs weekdays at 11:30/10:30 a.m. MT/PT
Sundays at 6:00/5:00 a.m. MT/PT

- | Nov. | Topics |
|------|-----------------------------------|
| 1 | Feeling left out (O, 10) |
| 2 | Playing store (C, 15) |
| 4 | Playing store (C, 15) |
| 5 | Role play (F, 13) |
| 6 | The letter "B" show (B, 3) |
| 7 | Cooking day (K, 17) |
| 8 | A bad case of the hiccups (H, 15) |
| 9 | Making drums (V, 4) |
| 11 | Making drums (V, 4) |
| 12 | Playing with friends (X, 11) |
| 13 | Alphabet show (L, 8) |
| 14 | Cat games (C, 18) |
| 15 | Making music (M, 7) |
| 16 | Oscar's All Grouch Band (J, 0) |
| 18 | Oscar's All Grouch Band (J, 0) |
| 19 | The Alphabet Explorer game (D, 1) |
| 20 | Sing-along day (Z, 16) |
| 21 | Counting (Y, 3) |
| 22 | Poems & rhyming (A, 2) |
| 23 | We are all artists! (G, 7) |
| 25 | We are all artists! (G, 7) |
| 26 | Similarities (B, 3) |
| 27 | Zoe's Delivery Service (Z, 20) |
| 28 | Making snowflakes (F, 5) |
| 29 | Oscar's trash (T, 9) |
| 30 | Linda's birthday (H, 6) |



www.pbs.org/arthur
Airs weekdays at 7:00/6:00 MT/PT
Repeats 10:00/9:00 MT/PT and 3:30/2:30 MT/PT
Sundays 9:30/8:30 MT/PT

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| 1 | Francine Redecorates; Arthur the Loser |
| 2 | Arthur vs. the Very Mean Crossing Guard; D.W.'s Very Bad Mood |
| 4 | Citizen Frensky/D.W.'s Backpack Mishap |
| 5 | The Boy with His Head in the Clouds/More! |
| 6 | D.W.'s Name Game; Finders Key-Pers |
| 7 | How the Cookie Crumbles; Sue Ellen's Little Sister |
| 8 | Buster's Back; The Ballad of Buster Baxter |
| 9 | D.W., All Fired Up; I'd Rather Read it Myself |
| 11 | The Boy with His Head in the Clouds/More! |
| 12 | Rhyme for Your Life/For Whom the Bell Tolls |
| 13 | Arthur Goes Crosswire; Sue Ellen and the Brainasaurus |



www.pbs.org/dragontales
Airs weekdays at 10:30/9:30 a.m. MT/PT
Repeats 5:00/4:00 p.m. MT/PT

- | Nov | Topics |
|-----|---|
| 1 | Helping a friend; Accepting individual differences |
| 2 | Accepting one's own differences; Resolving a conflict |
| 5 | Accommodating differences; Coping with fear |
| 6 | Sibling rivalry; Coping with separation |
| 7 | Overcoming challenges; Coping with rejection |
| 8 | Using problem solving strategies; Learning to remember things |
| 9 | Using skills to solve a problem; Persisting at a challenging task |

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| 14 | Background Blues; And Now Let's Talk to Some Kids |
| 15 | The Chips Are Down; Revenge of the Chip |
| 16 | Binky Rules; Meet Binky |
| 18 | Rhyme for Your Life/For Whom the Bell Tolls |
| 19 | The Good Sport/Crushed |
| 20 | Arthur Rides the Bandwagon; Dad's Dessert Dilemma |
| 21 | Popular Girls; Buster's Growing Grudge |
| 22 | Arthur's Treasure Hunt; The Return of the King |
| 23 | Attack of the Turbo Tibbles; D.W. Tricks the Tooth Fairy |
| 25 | The Good Sport/Crushed |
| 26 | Arthur Loses His Marbles/Friday the 13th |
| 27 | Double Tibble Trouble; Arthur's Almost Live Not Real Music Festival |
| 28 | What Scared Sue Ellen?; Clarissa is Cracked |
| 29 | Arthur's Dummy Disaster; Francine and the Feline |
| 30 | Mom and Dad Have a Great Big Fight; D.W.'s Perfect Wish |

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| 12 | Overcoming fear of performing; Coping with separation |
| 13 | Solving a problem together; Learning to be accepted into a new group |
| 14 | Using problem-solving strategies; Learning a new physical skill |
| 15 | Learning to be responsible; Problem-solving strategies |
| 16 | Coping with name calling and teasing; Working together |
| 19 | Persevering while learning; Identifying shapes |
| 20 | Learning to use critical thinking skills; Patience |
| 21 | Resolving a conflict; Coping with frustration |
| 22 | Caring for a friend; Trying something new |
| 23 | Working together to solve a problem; Accommodating differences |
| 26 | Learning to have confidence in oneself; Taking turns |
| 27 | Value your own abilities; Persisting at a challenging task |
| 28 | Problem-solving strategies; Conflicts |
| 29 | Helping a friend; Learning to accept differences |
| 30 | Accepting one's own differences; Resolving a conflict |

**Theme &
Book of the
Week**

WRITING

My Crayons Talk
By Patricia Hubbard

It Begins with an A
By Stephanie Calmenson

FRIENDSHIP

Clifford the Big Red Dog
By Norman Bridwell

*Frog and Toad are
Friends*
By Arnold Lobel

EMOTIONS

Quick as a Cricket
By Audrey Wood

I Love You the Purplest
By Barbara M. Joosse

FOOD

*If You Give a Mouse a
Cookie*

By Laura Joffe Numeroff

Let's Eat

By Ana Zamorano

TALENTS

Leo the Late Bloomer
By Robert Kraus

Ben's Trumpet

By Rachel Isadora

TV & Activity Connections - November



Sunday

Monday

Tuesday

Wednesday

Thursday

Friday

Saturday



www.idahoptv.org

Web site resources include episode descriptions and more activities and ideas for children and those who care for them.

1

SESAME STREET
A new letter
everyday!
11:30/10:30
MT/PT

2



TELETUBBIES
Painting
8:30/7:30
MT/PT

3

Encourage your
child to write
about the
pictures they
draw.

4



READING
RAINBOW
Teamwork
2:30/1:30
MT/PT

5

CLIFFORD THE
BIG RED DOG
Worry
7:30/6:30
3:00/2:00
MT/PT
4:30 PT

6

BETWEEN THE
LIONS
Missing friends
11:00/10:00
MT/PT
5:00 PT

7

SAGWA, THE
CHINESE SIAMESE
CAT
Respecting
points of views
4:00/3:00
MT/PT

8

CLIFFORD THE
BIG RED DOG
Friendship
7:30/6:30
3:00/2:00
MT/PT
4:30 PT

9

SESAME STREET
Cooperation
11:30/10:30
MT/PT

10

Draw a picture or
write about an
activity you enjoy
doing with a
friend.

11



12

CLIFFORD THE
BIG RED DOG
Worry
7:30/6:30
3:00/2:00
MT/PT
4:30 PT

13



JAY JAY THE JET
PLANE
Love
1:30/12:30
MT/PT

14

ARTHUR
Feeling sad
7:00/6:00
10:00/9:00
3:30/2:30
MT/PT

15

READING
RAINBOW
Emotions
2:30/1:30
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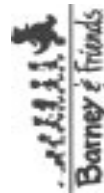
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SESAME STREET
Grouchy
11:30/10:30
MT/PT

17

Find a way to
cheer someone
up today!

18



19

BARNEY
Gardens
8:00/7:00
2:00/1:00
MT/PT

20

MISTER ROGERS'
NEIGHBORHOOD
Programs about
food all week.
1:00/12:00
MT/PT

21

READING
RAINBOW
Milk
2:30/1:30
MT/PT

22



23



ZOBOOMAFOO
Animal food
12:30/11:30
MT/PT

24

Let your child
help plan and
prepare lunch.

25

SESAME STREET
Artists
6:00/5:00
MT/PT

26



DRAGON TALES
Confidence
10:30/9:30
5:00/4:00
MT/PT

27

DRAGON TALES
Valuing your
abilities
10:30/9:30
5:00/4:00
MT/PT

28

SAGWA, THE
CHINESE
SIAMESE CAT
Talents
4:00/3:00
MT/PT

29

TELETUBBIES
Art
8:30/7:30
MT/PT

30

SAGWA, THE
CHINESE
SIAMESE CAT
Talents
4:00/3:00
MT/PT