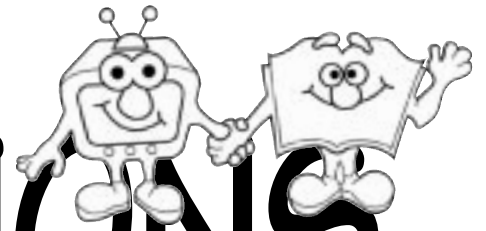


CONNECTIONS



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 *The Little Red Hen*

The favorite tale of the industrious little hen and her freeloading friends, retold for beginning readers.

➤ After reading *The Little Red Hen*, help your child recall what happened at the beginning, middle, and end of the story.

➤ Talk with your child about tasks that he or she can do at home to help the family. Trace around one of your child's hands on several sheets of paper and decorate them. Staple the hands together to make a book. Explain to your child that a family member will tear off a page and give it to them when a helping hand is needed.

➤ Invite friends to make a tasty snack. Taking turns, each friend adds one ingredient to a large bowl. You might use one cup each of raisins, pretzel sticks, dry cereal, miniature marshmallows, peanuts, and chocolate chips. Be creative! The fun part is sharing the treat afterwards.

Fun Things To Do With Your Child



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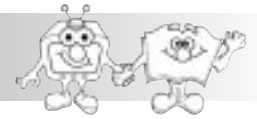


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September Theme: Sharing



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

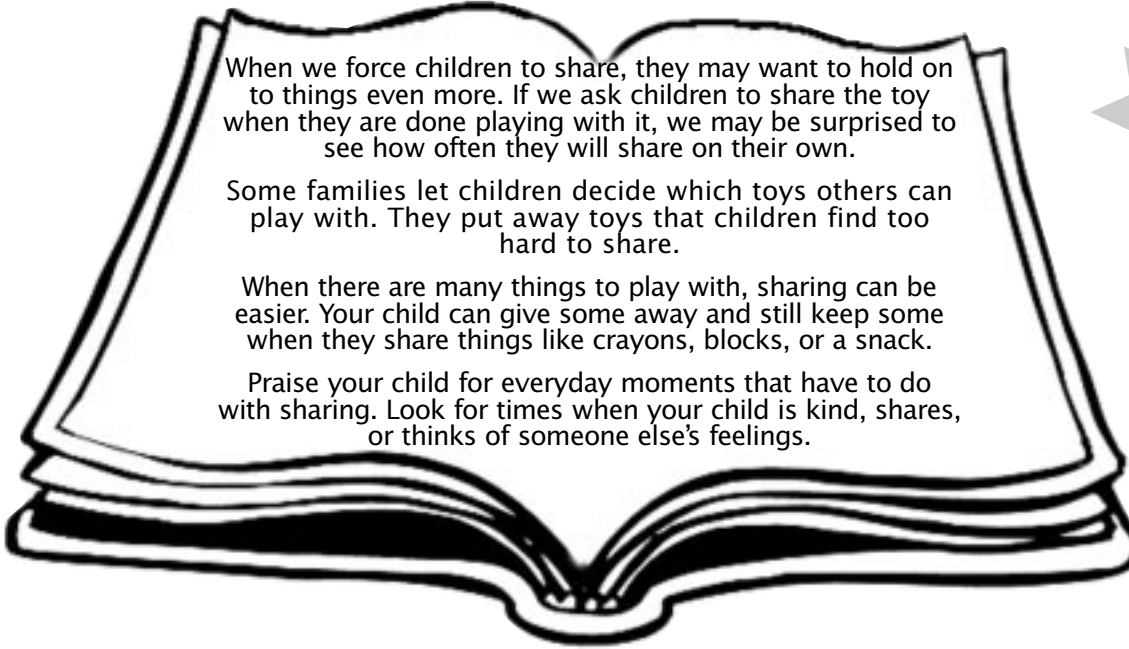
Tips on helping your child feel good about sharing

When we force children to share, they may want to hold on to things even more. If we ask children to share the toy when they are done playing with it, we may be surprised to see how often they will share on their own.

Some families let children decide which toys others can play with. They put away toys that children find too hard to share.

When there are many things to play with, sharing can be easier. Your child can give some away and still keep some when they share things like crayons, blocks, or a snack.

Praise your child for everyday moments that have to do with sharing. Look for times when your child is kind, shares, or thinks of someone else's feelings.



NEW!

SAGWA, THE CHINESE SIAMESE CAT



<http://pbskids.org/sagwa/>
Airs weekdays at 4:00/3:00 a.m. MT/PT beginning September 3
Sundays at 9:00/8:00 a.m. MT/PT beginning September 9

Understanding Sharing

Many parents worry when their children do not share. But sharing is hard for a lot of children. That does not mean they are spoiled or selfish. It takes a long while for most children to be able to share. Why is sharing so hard? For one thing, children do not understand what sharing means. If you ask them to share something, they think you are taking it away from them.

Young children often worry that if they give up a toy, they won't get it back. With practice and help, they learn this usually isn't true. Suggest ideas they can try: "How about when the big hand on the clock gets to the 3, you give they toy to Sandy for a little while?" Encourage them to make up their own rules, too. Children also have trouble thinking about what

someone else wants — they can only think about what they want. Sharing will come in time, as children live and grow with adults who share.

Children learn from your example. Talk about times when you shared something like your tools or your car with someone in your family, a neighbor, or someone at work. Let children know how good you feel when you share something with them, like an apple, a cookie, or some time in a busy day.

Great good can come from sharing. We adults can help children come to know that. We can also help them with times when sharing is hard. Remember, it takes a long time for children to be able to share. For some children, sharing is easier. Other children may need more caring help.

Based on Amy Tan's children's book, SAGWA, this new children's series is set in historic China and follows the adventures of a spirited, adventurous young cat as she explores her widening world. Though she's an independent spirit trying on her own to figure out the world and her place in it, she can always come home to her caring friends and family.

September Titles

- 3 *The Bionic Bunny Show* (Set of *Star Trek: The Next Generation*)
- 4 *Bugs* (Insects and butterflies)
- 5 *The Robbery at the Diamond Dog Diner* (Diners and making pasta)
- 6 *Brush* (3-D animation and parade floats)
- 7 *The Purple Coat* (Fashion design)
- 10 *A Three Hat Day* (Racetracks and hockey)
- 11 *Rumpelstiltskin* (Renaissance Fair)
- 12 *Best Friends* (Dogs)
- 13 *Meanwhile Back at the Ranch* (The Old West)



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

- 14 *My Little Island* (Caribbean Islands)
- 17 *The Life Cycle of the Honey Bee* (Beehives and honey)
- 18 *Keep the Lights Burning, Abbie* (Lighthouses and sailing)

- 19 *Chickens Aren't the Only Ones* (Chicken farm and logger; turtles lay eggs)
- 20 *The Paper Crane* (Origami and "Festival of the Drums")
- 21 *The Runaway Duck* (Chesapeake Bay waterfowl and duck carving)
- 24 *Space Case* (Aliens and Earth's wonders)
- 25 *The Milk Makers* (Milk and milking cows)
- 26 *Imogene's Antlers* (Zoo animals)
- 27 *Germs Make Me Sick!* (How the body fights germs)
- 28 *Abiyoyo* (Storytelling techniques)

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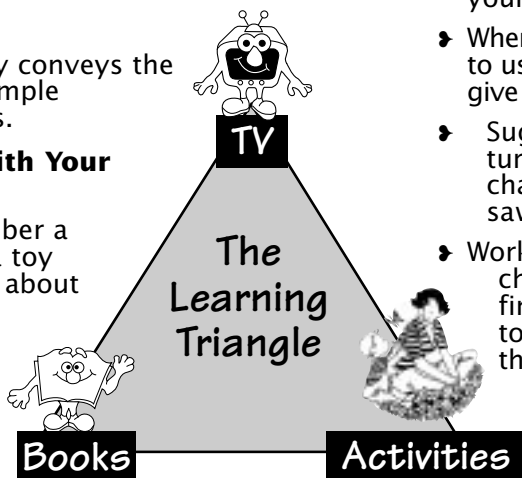


Watch: CLIFFORD, THE BIG RED DOG
Monday, September 24 at 7:30/6:30, Repeats at 3:00/2:00 MT/PT and 4:30 PT.
Mr. Bleakman learns that sharing the park is fun.

Read: *The Doorbell Rang*
By Pat Hutchins
This lovely book effectively conveys the concepts of sharing and simple mathematics to youngsters.

Things to Talk About With Your Child

- Ask your child to remember a time when they shared a toy with another child. Talk about how good it feels to share.
- Discuss with your child how they feel when someone will not share with them. Talking about feelings helps us understand each other better.



- Reassure your child that sometimes it is difficult to share things that are special to us.

Activities:

- After reading *The Doorbell Rang*, make cookies with your child to deliver to a neighbor, relative, or friend.
- When children are learning to take turns, they may want to use a timer. With a timer, children trust that when they give up a toy, they will get it back when the timer rings.
- Suggest play ideas where it helps to share or take turns, like: building with blocks, making long paper chains, playing catch with a ball, or going on a seesaw.
- Work with a friend to create a picture together. One child draws half the picture and the other child can finish it. To extend the activity, invite the partners to collaborate on a story or poem to accompany the picture.
- Play board games that require taking turns. Practice choosing who gets to go first by drawing a number from a hat, rolling dice, or drawing straws.

CLIFFORD, BARNEY & FRIENDS and CAILLOU model positive social skills

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



Sept	Weekly Themes	Episodes
2	Babysitter Blues/Saturday Morning	
3	Birdy Makes Three/Home Is Where The Fun Is	
4	Clifford's Carnival/Clifford's Doggy Reunion	
5	Great Race/Tummy Trouble	
6	Cleo Comes To Town/False Friends	
7	Clifford & The Beanstalk/An Itchy Patch	
9	Birdy Makes Three/Home Is Where The Fun Is	
10	A New Friend/Stormy Weather	
11	Circus Stars/Limelight Fright	
12	To Catch A Bird/The Best Party Ever	
13	Come Back, Mac/Boo!	
14	Little Clifford/Welcome To Birdwell Island	
16	A New Friend/Stormy Weather	
17	Dog Who Cried Woof/Doing The Right Thing	
18	Leaf of Absence/Nobody's Perfect	
19	Teacher's Pet/Islander Of The Year	
20	Clifford's Big Surprise/Ears Have It	
21	Tough Enough/Stars In Your Eyes	
23	Dog Who Cried Woof/Doing The Right Thing	
24	Mac's Secret Dog Club/The Dog Park	
25	Fluffed Up Cleo/Team Spirit	
26	Clifford on Parade/Follow The Leader	
27	Goodbye T-Bone/The Truth about Dogs and Cats	
28	The Big Sleepover/Dog for a Day	
30	Mac's Secret Dog Club/The Dog Park	



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

Sept Topics

- 3 First day of school
- 4 Emotions
- 5 Money
- 6 Rhythm
- 7 Clocks, telling time
- 10 Patience, post office
- 11 Building
- 12 Tradition
- 13 Allergies and colds

Sept Topics

- 2 The Starry Night
- 3 Big Brother Caillou
- 4 Words
- 5 I Can Do It!
- 6 My Family



- 14 Games and exercises
- 17 Individual differences
- 18 Bears
- 19 Eating out and eating healthy
- 20 Trees and recycling
- 21 Cleanliness
- 24 Sun and wind
- 25 Following directions
- 26 Family unity
- 27 Ponds
- 28 On a dairy farm



pbskids.org/caillou/
Airs weekdays at 9:00/8:00 a.m. MT/PT
Sundays at 5:00/4:00 a.m. MT/PT

- 27 Caillou Creates
- 28 Caillou Cooks
- 30 I'm All Better

**Theme &
Book of the
Week**

TV & Activity Connections - September



Sunday

Monday

Tuesday

Wednesday

Thursday

Friday

Saturday

30



NODDY
Getting along
7:00/6:00
MT/Pt

2

SHARING & CARING

The Doorbell Rang
By Pat Hutchins

The Little Red Hen
By Lucinda McQueen

9



ARTHUR
Vacations
7:00/6:00
10:00/9:00
3:30/2:30
MT/Pt

ADVENTURE
Harold's Fairy Tale
By Crockett Johnson

Pecos Bill
By Steven Kellogg

16

NATURE

Animal Atlas
By Claire Llewellyn

Have You Seen Trees?
By Joanne Oppenheim

READING RAINBOW
Life cycle of bees
2:30/1:30
MT/Pt

17



CAILLOU
Springtime
9:00/8:00
MT/Pt

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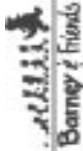
HEALTH
Who's Sick Today?
By Lynne Cherry

Gregory, the Terrible Eater
By Mitchell Sharmat

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



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BARNEY & FRIENDS
Hurting others' feelings
8:00/7:00
2:00/1:00

4

BETWEEN THE LIONS
Good Seed
11:00/10:00
MT/Pt
5:00 PT

5

CLIFFORD
Sharing with friends
7:30/6:30
3:00/2:00
MT/Pt
4:30 PT

6



7

Practice taking turns while playing Tic-Tac-Toe.

8

10

ARTHUR
Vacations
7:00/6:00
10:00/9:00
3:30/2:30
MT/Pt

11

CLIFFORD
Circus stars
7:30/6:30
3:00/2:00
MT/Pt
4:30 PT

12

CLIFFORD Parties
7:30/6:30
3:00/2:00
MT/Pt
4:30 PT

13



ZOBOOMAFOO
Animal explorers
12:30/11:30
MT/Pt

14

CAILLOU
Caillou discovers
9:00/8:00
MT/Pt

15

Pack a picnic lunch and take your family for a drive in the car.

16

CLIFFORD
Stormy weather
5:30/4:30 a.m.
MT/Pt

17

READING RAINBOW
Life cycle of bees
2:30/1:30
MT/Pt

18



CAILLOU
Springtime
9:00/8:00
MT/Pt

19

ZOBOOMAFOO
Hole dwelling animals
12:30/11:30
MT/Pt

20

BARNEY & FRIENDS
Trees
8:00/7:00
2:00/1:00
MT/Pt

21

CAILLOU
Summertime
9:00/8:00
MT/Pt

22

What color is the sky today? Are there any clouds? Can you count them?

24

CAILLOU
I'm all better
9:00/8:00
MT/Pt

25

ARTHUR
New programs about health all week!
7:00/6:00
10:00/9:00
3:30/2:30
MT/Pt

26



BETWEEN THE LIONS
Sneezes
11:00/10:00
MT/Pt
5:00 PT

27

READING RAINBOW
Fighting germs
2:30/1:30
MT/Pt

28



29

Practice healthy habits like brushing your teeth, washing your hands, exercising, and eating healthy snacks.