

Ready To Learn | Pre-K Workshop Offerings

The Ready To Learn service is a nationwide effort using on air, online, and print resources to help parents, caregiver, and childhood educators prepare children for success. As part of the PBS Reno Ready To Learn service, we offer free children's workshops in classrooms.

An engaging video, a read aloud, and fun hands-on activities are integrated into the workshop. Lessons are aligned to the Nevada State Pre-Kindergarten Standards.

All materials are supplied, and a trained facilitator will lead the 30-45 minute workshop.

For more information or to schedule a workshop contact Joy Foremaster at jforemaster@pbsreno.org or 775.600.0551

Curious George Construction Vehicles

Put on your hard hat and vest and learn about construction sites with Curious George in this engaging lesson. Children will learn about different construction equipment, the function of each machine, and construction site safety through a read aloud, a video clip, a creative art project, building with blocks, and an active game.
3.PK.9, 7.PK.2, 7.PK.3, 5.PK.1

Dental Hygiene

In this lesson, children will learn about ways to keep their teeth healthy. They will go on a virtual field trip to the dentist's office and learn about oral hygiene. Through various fun activities, they practice flossing and brushing.
1.PK.1, 1.PK.3

If You Give a Mouse a Cookie

The well-known book introduces the important concepts of sequencing and cause and effect. During the lesson, children will also practice counting and matching the number of objects in a set to the correct number.
1.PK.4a, 1.PK.4b, 1.PK.3c, 1.PK.3, 1.PK.5, 5.PK.4a, 6.PK.4, 6.PK.7, 7.PK.2, 7.PK.5, 8.PK.5,

The Cat in the Hat

This delightful classic is the foundation of a fun lesson that provides children an opportunity to use their imaginations, work on gross motor skills, and practice problem solving. Students are encouraged to demonstrate their balancing skills like the Cat in the Hat through an engaging activity.
2.PK.2, 1.PK.1, 3.PK.2

We All Sing with the Same Voice

No matter where you live, what you look like, or what you do, we are all the same where it counts—at heart. In our global economy, it is important for children to learn at an early age the ability to accept cultural differences. Children will explore how people look and dress from other places in the world through various activities. They will create a self-portrait adding unique qualities about themselves.
HI.PK.3, G5.PK.1, 4.PK.3

We're Going on a Bear Hunt

This classic song and story invites children to bravely set out to find a bear. Students will explore positional words, retell a story, sharpen math skills, and make a map. The lesson is filled with engaging, fun activities.
3.PK.1, 7.PK.1a, 7.PK.2, 1.PK.4a, 1.PK.4b, 2.PK.1, G5.PK.1

What teachers are saying about PBS Reno Ready To Learn workshops:

"So much fun for the kids. They really enjoyed all of the activities. I also love that the children were given books to take home! Great program!"
— Melisa Schillinger, Head Start.

"Excellent story and activity – the kids didn't want it to end!"
— Stephanie Nishikida, UNR, Child and Family Research Center.

"Our children were classifying, matching colors, and practicing 2 step directions, I love how you fit so many skills into one lesson!"
— Preschool, Head Start

"It's nice having someone drive out to our community since it's so far north, It's something special our kids might not get to experience otherwise! Thank you!"
— Preschool, Cold Springs Child Care Center

"I love that you provided the kids with a read aloud, time to talk and hands on experiences so they can really get a good understanding of the topic."
— Preschool, Boys & Girls Club