



New York State: Ready to Learn Resources

PBS KIDS <http://pbskids.org/> *PBS KIDS* is a safe place for kids and families to explore and play hundreds of fun educational games with their favorite *PBS KIDS* characters.

Word World <http://pbskids.org/wordworld>

Word World immerses preschool children in a language-rich environment where words are always morphing into new WordThings that save the day. The program delivers reading readiness skills as part of the play, story and action.

Super WHY! <http://pbskids.org/superwhy>

SUPER WHY! is the first preschool show designed to help children 3-6 learn to read through interactive story adventures. In each episode, characters jump into a book to find the answer to a pressing preschool problem. Along the way the characters play interactive literacy games to move the story forward and to teach kids the skills they need to learn to read. Super WHY! features four main characters who are best friends. Each character transforms into a superhero with a literacy-based super power.

Martha Speaks <http://pbskids.org/martha>

The *Martha Speaks* television program is based on the book by Susan Meddaugh. With a curriculum focus on building vocabulary, Martha is a lovable dog who begins to speak after eating alphabet soup her owner gives her.

Electric Company <http://pbskids.org/electriccompany>

In 2009, the power is surging back with the all-new *The Electric Company*, produced by Sesame Workshop. With a cool cast of characters, amazing literacy superpowers, side-splitting cartoons, and songs that you can't help dancing along with, this reincarnation of a television classic is sure to make an impact on the newest generation. *The Electric Company* aims to entertain children between the ages of 6 and 9 while simultaneously teaching four crucial areas of literacy that are challenging for struggling readers.

PBS Kids Island – Raising Readers <http://pbskids.org/read/>

Parents and their preschoolers can play reading games with favorite PBS Kids characters, earn tickets, and win prizes. Parents can track their child's progress and find fun reading activities to do. Information about the Raising Readers Ready To Learn Initiative, including links to the research behind Raising Readers.

PBS TeacherLine <http://teacherline.nylearns.org/>

PBS TeacherLine's high-quality, standards-based graduate level courses offer teachers the professional development opportunities they need in an accessible online format that makes learning fun, flexible and collaborative.

Additional supporting content includes: *Sesame Street*, *Between the Lions*, and *A Place of Our Own / Los Ninos en Sue Casa*