

Incorporating Vermont PBS Into Your Classroom

Program: *Sesame Street*

Grade(s): PreK, K

Ways to watch: Vermont PBS Stations; [PBS Kids](#); Streaming/Subscription Services

About: Since its debut in 1969, *Sesame Street* has been grounded on a comprehensive whole-child curriculum that supports preschoolers' cognitive, social, emotional, and physical development. The curriculum is created by in-house child psychologists, educators, and educational advisors, incorporating the latest research in child development and innovative approaches in early childhood education. While the series is designed to address all areas of children's learning and development, the primary curricular focus changes every one or two seasons in order to meet preschoolers' current critical needs.

Primary Connection to the [Vermont Early Learning Standards](#) (VELS)

III. Learning about the World: Science

| <i>Elements</i> | <i>Goals</i> |
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| 1. Physical Sciences | Children construct concepts of the properties of matter, sound, motion and energy through exploration and investigations. |
| 2. Life Sciences | Children construct concepts about the characteristics of living organisms, their biology and ecosystems through exploration and investigations. |
| 3. Earth and Space Sciences | Children construct concepts about Earth's systems, the impacts of human activity on these systems, and Earth's place in the universe through observations, exploration, and investigations. |
| 4. Engineering Design | Children design, experiment, construct, alter, and problem solve to modify the natural world and meet their needs and wants. |

Additional VELS' Sections and Domains to Explore with Sesame Street:

- I. Developing Self: Social and Emotional Learning and Development; Growing, Moving and Being Healthy

- II. Communication and Expression: Language Development; Literacy Development; Creative Arts and Expression
- III. Learning About the World: Mathematics; Science; Social Studies

Resources: Use the following carefully curated resources to support teaching social and emotional skills and more with *Sesame Street*.

For Educators:

- [PBS Kids](#) and [PBS Learning Media](#)
- [COVID Related](#) and [Caring for Each Other](#)
- [AOE Continuity of Learning](#)
- [Sesame Street - Resources and Episode Specific Activities](#)
- [AOE Continuity of Learning](#)

For Families:

- [PBS Parents](#)

You may also be interested in these PBS programs:

- [Daniel Tiger](#) (Social and Emotional Learning and Development)
- [Peg + Cat](#) (Mathematics)