

## Tennessee at Home Learning Series: Guide for Parents using PBS Lessons

We are excited to partner with PBS and your school district to deliver daily English Language Arts and mathematics lessons in 1<sup>st</sup> – 8<sup>th</sup> grades during the month of April. Check your local PBS channel for broadcasting hours and schedules, as these will vary by station.<sup>1</sup>

Families across the state can work with teachers and schools to do PBS lessons together. We encourage families to:

- Preview the content, times and lessons here: <https://www.tn.gov/education/pbsteaching>.
- Ask your school if they are doing anything special with the PBS lessons.
- If you miss a lesson, don't worry! They video links are also on the website: <https://www.tn.gov/education/pbsteaching>.

Each **ELA lesson** is scheduled for 25 to 30 minutes and involves a read aloud, review, and independent practice.

- **Before the lesson**, talk to your child about what the video lesson will be. The schedule of topics is on page two.
- **During the lesson**, make sure the child's viewing area is quiet so they can focus. Your child should also have a few pieces of paper, their independent practice form the day before, a pencil, and a hard surface to write on.
- **After the lesson**, give your child a quiet place to complete their independent practice.
- After they finish their **independent practice**, ask your child(ren) to:
  - share their learning,
  - praise your child for engaging the lesson and practicing the skill taught, and
  - encourage them with excitement about the next lesson.

Note: It is important not to judge your child's practice as they have not had classroom support. Instead, keep your children excited about their learning experiences.

- Each **Math lesson** is 25 to 30 minutes that involves an opening math problem, then collaborative practice and review, and then independent practice.
  - **Before the lesson**, talk to your child about what the video lesson will be. The schedule of topics is on page two.
  - **During the lesson**, make sure the child's viewing area is quiet so they can focus. Your child should also have a few pieces of paper, their independent practice form the day before, a pencil, and a hard surface to write on.  
**After the lesson**, give your child a quiet place to complete their independent practice.
- After they finish their **independent practice**, ask your child(ren) to:
  - share their learning by showing you're their math problems from the video and their independent practice,

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<sup>1</sup> Tennessee has six PBS stations: WNPT Nashville, East Tennessee PBS, WCTE Upper Cumberland, WKNO Memphis, West TN PBS, and Chattanooga WTCI.

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### English Language Arts Sequence

	<i>Set 1</i>	<i>Set 2</i>	<i>Set 3</i>
<i>Grade 1</i>	Aesop’s Fables	Greek Myths; the Sun	“Jack and the Beanstalk”
<i>Grade 2</i>	Insects	Myths and Fables	Fables and Other Stories
<i>Grade 3</i>	<i>The Wind in the Willows</i>	Overcoming Challenges	The Tale of Peter Rabbit
<i>Grade 4</i>	Native American Stories	<i>The Legend of Sleepy Hollow</i>	Poem: “The Echoing Green”
<i>Grade 5</i>	Ecology	Electricity and Inventors	“Casey at the Bat” and Baseball
<i>Grade 6</i>	The Middle Ages	The Berlin Wall	Myth: Arachne
<i>Grade 7</i>	Early American Civilizations	“Annabel Lee”; John and Abigail Adams	Poem: “The Railway Train” and Technology
<i>Grade 8</i>	Narrative, Perspective, and Point of View	Poetry and Poets: William Blake, Emily Dickinson, and A.E. Housman	“Top 10 Real Life Body Snatchers”: Parasites in Nature

### Mathematics Sequence

	<i>Set 1</i>	<i>Set 2</i>	<i>Set 3</i>
<i>Grade 1</i>	Using Addition Strategies with Real World Problems	Subtraction Strategies with Real World Problems	Counting within 120
<i>Grade 2</i>	Place Value-Representing Numbers in a wide Variety of Ways	Addition and Subtraction of 2-Digit Numbers	Adding and Subtracting with Measurements
<i>Grade 3</i>	Multiplication and Division	Fractions	Area
<i>Grade 4</i>	Addition Strategies for Large Numbers	Adding and Subtracting Fractions	Multiplying by 2-Digit Numbers
<i>Grade 5</i>	Fractions Overview	Subtracting Fractions	Multiplying Multi-Digit Numbers
<i>Grade 6</i>	Equations and Expressions	Division of Fractions	Ratios and Rates
<i>Grade 7</i>	Equations and Expressions	Adding and Subtracting Rational Numbers in Real World Problems	Proportional Understanding
<i>Grade 8</i>	Equations and Expressions	Functions to Model Linear Relationships	Solving Systems of Equations

\*7<sup>th</sup> and 8<sup>th</sup> grade recorded lessons will be available on the department’s YouTube channel starting April 13th:  
<https://www.youtube.com/user/TNDeptofEducation>

For the PBS broadcast schedule and links to lesson plans, videos, and texts, please visit  
<https://www.tn.gov/education/pbsteaching>