



PBS KIDS Island Reading Skills & Sample Games

PBS KIDS Island lets children build their own online island by playing reading games with PBS KIDS Raising Readers characters. This provides a familiar and comfortable environment for emerging readers. All the games on PBS KIDS Island have been carefully selected and incorporate the latest research about the most effective ways for kids to build reading skills.

Games allow players to build and practice the critical skills needed to learn to read: rhyming, letter identification, alliteration, phonics, letter sequencing, phonemic awareness, and reading/vocabulary. Each game promotes at least one skill, with many teaching several skills.

Skill: Rhyming: These games allow players to practice rhyming by identifying words that sound alike, such as "snug" and "bug."



[Sesame Street
Elmo Rhymes](#)



[Sesame Street
Super Grover's In the
Nick of Rhyme](#)



[Word World:
Frog's Rhyming Machine](#)

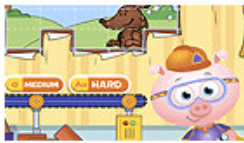


[Super Why!
Red's Rhyme n' Roll](#)

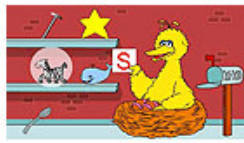


[Super Why!
Red's Rhyming Game](#)

Skill: Letter Identification: These games allow players to practice letter identification through skills like recognizing uppercase letters, alphabetical order and alliteration.



[Super Why!
Alpha Pig's Brick Game](#)



[Sesame Street
Letters to Big Bird](#)



[Super Why!
Piq's Alphabet Game](#)



[Sesame Street
Cookie Monster Letter of
the Day](#)



[Sesame Street
Oscar's Bumper Cars](#)



[Word World:
Bear's Skateboard Park](#)

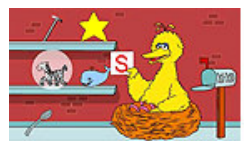


[Between the Lions:
ABCD Watermelon](#)



[World World:
Alphabet Falls](#)

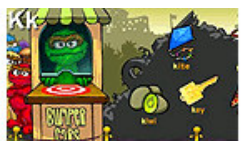
Skill: Alliteration: These games teach about alliteration, recognizing words that begin with the same letter.



[Sesame Street
Letters to Big Bird](#)



[Sesame Street
Cookie Monster Letter of
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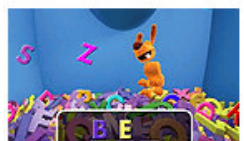


[Sesame Street
Oscar's Bumper Cars](#)



[World World:
Piq's Perfect Pizza](#)

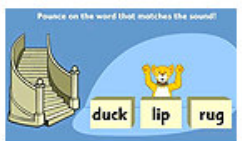
Skill: Phonics: These games teach about phonics, the understanding of the relationships between letters and their sounds.



[Word World:
Dog's Letter Pit](#)



[Between the Lions:
Chicken Stacker](#)



[Between the Lions:
Pounce](#)



[Super Why!
Princess Presto's Create
Your Own Superhero](#)



[Super Why!
Princess Presto's
Spelling Game](#)



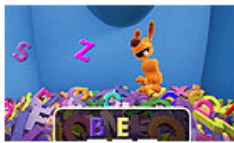
[Between the Lions:
Alphabet Soup Game](#)

Skill: Letter Sequencing: This game allows players to practice letter sequencing skills, or the order of the alphabet.



[Between the Lions:
ABCD Watermelon](#)

Skill: Phonemic Awareness: These games allow players to practice phonemic awareness, which is the ability to notice, think about, and work with the individual sounds in spoken words. An example of how beginning readers show us they have phonemic awareness is combining or blending the separate sounds of a word to say the word ("/c/ /a/ /t/ - cat").



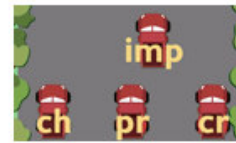
[Word World:
Dog's Letter Pit](#)



[Between the Lions:
Blending Bowl](#)



[Between the Lions:
Fuzzy Lion Ears](#)

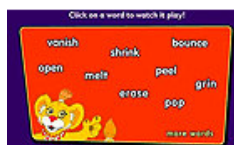


[Between the Lions:
Word Morph](#)



[Between the Lions:
Chicken Stacker](#)

Skill: Reading and Vocabulary: It's easier to understand a vocabulary word when you see what the word means and not just read the definition. It's also easier to learn reading when you can see what's happening rather than just seeing words. These games allow the player to practice reading and vocabulary skills through activities like sentence completion, mixing and matching comparative words and synonym recognition.



[Between the Lions:
Word Play](#)



[Super Why!:
Super Why's Flying Game](#)



[Between the Lions:
Trampoline](#)



[Between the Lions:
Alphabet Soup Game](#)



[Super Why!:
Super Why's Reading
Game](#)



[Between the Lions:
Synonym Sam's Lab](#)



[Between the Lions:
Battle of the Words](#)



[Between the Lions:
Flood](#)

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