

Anne

The Animated Series

EDUCATOR'S
GUIDE
EPISODE #2





BABYSITTER BLUES – EPISODE #2

Gilbert thinks babysitting his infant cousin will be a breeze. That is, until he finds himself alone with the tyke. Anne, who has a great deal of experience looking after children, comes to his assistance. Gilbert comes to realize how demanding and difficult babysitting can be, and how important it is to be vigilant, caring and prepared.

Learning Objective

Children learn about their own needs when learning about the roles of care taking. These discussions and explorations will help build:

Life Skills

Talking About the Episode

- Who has a little brother or sister? Do you help out at home? What kinds of things do you do? What kinds of care taking do babies need?
- Who has done some babysitting? Tell us about your duties?
- What would you do if you were babysitting and there was an emergency. For instance, if the child had a fever or fell down-while you were babysitting?

Who Takes Care of You?

Talk with children about who cares for them. What does that care involve: listening, safe keeping, preparing meals? Have children make a thank you card or write a story to their caregivers. Help them draw or describe the hard work that goes into their care.

Baby, Oh Baby

Baby dolls in the housekeeping centre can provide imaginative play as well as be source for learning about the roles and responsibilities of care taking. Each morning, introduce new items for a “baby” center: blankets and clothes, diapers, baby food jars, bath items, etc. Talk about babies’ needs and how to use the items appropriately. After introducing the items one by one, have children be responsible for a baby doll all day long!



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Mentoring: A Classroom Activity

Do any of the classes you're working with have a program set up to allow the students to work with/read to the younger classes within the school? It's probably not something you want to set up for a one day shoot, but if a teacher wanted to commit to a mentoring program for 3 or so weeks it could produce some nice footage: the older students reading, playing, helping with snack, etc.