



EARLY LITERACY with THE DOOPLES

To Do is to Learn ... To Learn is to Do

The Dooples are a group of enchanting characters who combine education and entertainment for children between the ages of 3 and 8. These unique characters inspire young audiences to discover the power of their imagination as they can learn important life-long skills and strategies.

Current trends in children's programming are greatly influenced by the ever-changing innovations of the digital age. Children and parents, now more than ever, control the direction, pace and content of their collective environment. The result of this has created an exciting and competitive environment that affords parents and caregivers an enhanced opportunity to become active participants in their children's learning. Enter 'The Dooples'!

The Dooples are writing tools who live in the mysterious land of Doo. The land of Doo is surrounded by the Inka Plinka River and the dark and scary Kibi Libi Forest. Children are invited to visit this wondrous land, where they meet the Dooples and other imaginary characters, who guide them through their journey around the world they live in. The daunting adventures and experiences through their complex world becomes fun and rewarding when the Dooples engage children by leading the way with stories, songs, animation and other inventive media.

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Educational Resources:

Books and animated videos: Meet the Dooples, The Dooples and the Shapes, The Dooples Communicate, The Dooples in The Land of Doo and The Dooples' Music Book.

Lesson Sequence:

- 1) **Review:** Parents, teachers and caregivers begin each lesson with the animated videos and accompanying resource guides.
- 2) **Discussion** following each, provides the framework for thinking.
- 3) **Activity:** Children are exposed to the concepts of making mistakes, collaboration, cooperation, communication, building shapes, and other related activities.

These lessons can be taught in a variety of formats:

- Author readings – live or via videoconferencing technology
- Original plays written by the students
- Published class stories to follow Dooples many adventures
- A variety of media productions written and / or produced by students:-puppets, videos plays, animations, etc.