



Skillsville™

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SERIES OVERVIEW

Join friends Cora, Dev, and Rae as they enter the world of Skillsville – a game where they transform into their avatars, ParCora, Devosaurus, and Racer Rae, and explore new skills through fun jobs that help the virtual city of Skillsville thrive. This new animated PBS KIDS series will encourage kids ages 4-8 to “power up” the skills they need for future success.

CURRICULUM

Each episode of **SKILLSVILLE** begins with Cora, Dev, and Rae in the real world and focuses on one of the five life skills (feel, focus, organize, remember and the game, the characters appear as their avatars to work together and learn useful strategies to complete a task, win the game, and earn career-related badges. When they’re back in the real world, Cora, Dev, and Rae use the skills and strategies they’ve acquired in “Skillsville,” which are essential in helping people of all ages to learn, work, and manage the activities of daily living.



RACER RAE

PARCORA

DEVOSAURUS



SAMPLE STORIES

“Chef”- After running out of ingredients, Cora needs to **think differently** about how to feed the hungry customers at the Lunchbox Café.

“City Planner” – Cora asks questions of the Skillsville community so she can **plan** a new area of the game world.

“Air Traffic Controller” – Dev **focuses** on helping paper planes take off and land at the Skillsville Paper Plane Airport.

“Train Engineer” – Rae needs to **remember** the right order to press the buttons to operate the Roller Coaster Commuter Train.

“Entrepreneur” – When Cora’s Skillsville lemonade stand takes off, she **talks through** ideas with her friends and **plans** to grow her business.

WATCH AND PLAY ANYTIME

SKILLSVILLE’s multiplatform approach promotes career exploration through replayable digital experiences and resources for parents, caregivers, and educators.

New resources include:

- Four interactive games, plus videos and activities available on pbskids.org and the PBS KIDS Games and Video Apps.
- Educator resources on PBS LearningMedia.
- Activities and more on the PBS KIDS for Parents website.

PRODUCTION HIGHLIGHTS

SKILLSVILLE is produced by an Emmy award-winning team (SESAME STREET, HERO ELEMENTARY) at Twin Cities PBS (TPT) that includes Executive Producer, Carol-Lynn Parente, Head Writer, Christine Ferraro and Creative Director, Eric Peterson.

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