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Sesame Street to stream on Netflix

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Please try Levels 0, 1 and 3. They are (a little) harder.

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THE READING

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The TV show Sesame Street is moving to Netflix. The show started in the USA in 1969. It is one of the world's most loved programmes. There have been 4,731 episodes over 55 seasons. Netflix said it "enchants" young minds and encourages a love of learning. The show's 56th season will have "fresh format changes". Viewers will see a return of popular parts of the show like Elmo's World and Cookie Monster's Foodie Truck. Well-known characters like Big Bird, Count von Count and Abby Cadabby will also be there to entertain youngsters.

The Netflix streaming deal means Sesame Street will continue to educate children for many years. Netflix said the show brings "critical early learning to children throughout the country for free". Education is why Sesame Street was created. In the 1960s, a psychologist and TV producer thought of the idea of the show. They worked with Harvard University to think of a new way to teach pre-school children. Since 1969, Sesame Street has taught basic maths, literacy, and social skills to children worldwide. It also encouraged tolerance and diversity.

Sources: <https://www.netflix.com/tudum/articles/sesame-street-release-date-news>
<https://www.npr.org/2025/05/19/nx-s1-5403663/sesame-street-netflix-pbs>
<https://www.latimes.com/entertainment-arts/business/story/2025-05-19/sesame-street-finds-a-new-streaming-home-on-netflix>

PHRASE MATCHING

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PARAGRAPH ONE:

- | | |
|------------------------------|----------------------|
| 1. Sesame Street is | a. of the show |
| 2. The show started in | b. of learning |
| 3. one of the world's most | c. the USA in 1969 |
| 4. encourages a love | d. changes |
| 5. fresh format | e. like Big Bird |
| 6. a return of popular parts | f. moving to Netflix |
| 7. Well-known characters | g. youngsters |
| 8. be there to entertain | h. loved programmes |

PARAGRAPH TWO:

- | | |
|-----------------------------------|--------------------|
| 1. The Netflix streaming | a. the country |
| 2. educate children | b. skills |
| 3. children throughout | c. diversity |
| 4. Education is why Sesame Street | d. school children |
| 5. In the | e. was created |
| 6. a new way to teach pre- | f. deal |
| 7. social | g. 1960s |
| 8. encouraged tolerance and | h. for many years |

LISTEN AND FILL IN THE GAPS

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(1) _____ Sesame Street is moving to Netflix. The show started in the USA in 1969. It is one of (2) _____ loved programmes. There have been 4,731 (3) _____ seasons. Netflix said it "enchants" young minds and encourages a love of learning. The show's 56th season will have "(4) _____". Viewers will see a (5) _____ parts of the show like Elmo's World and Cookie Monster's Foodie Truck. Well-known characters like Big Bird, Count von Count and Abby Cadabby will also be there (6) _____.

The Netflix (7) _____ Sesame Street will continue to educate children for many years. Netflix said the show brings "(8) _____ to children throughout the (9) _____". Education is why Sesame Street was created. In the 1960s, a psychologist and TV producer thought (10) _____ of the show. They worked with Harvard University to think of a new way to teach pre-school children. Since 1969, Sesame Street has (11) _____, literacy, and social skills to children worldwide. It also encouraged (12) _____.

PUT A SLASH (/) WHERE THE SPACES ARE

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SESAME STREET SURVEY

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Write five GOOD questions about Sesame Street in the table. Do this in pairs. Each student must write the questions on his / her own paper.
When you have finished, interview other students. Write down their answers.

	STUDENT 1 _____	STUDENT 2 _____	STUDENT 3 _____
Q.1.			
Q.2.			
Q.3.			
Q.4.			
Q.5.			

- Now return to your original partner and share and talk about what you found out. Change partners often.
- Make mini-presentations to other groups on your findings.

WRITE QUESTIONS & ASK YOUR PARTNER(S)

Student A: Do not show these to your speaking partner(s).

- a) _____
- b) _____
- c) _____
- d) _____
- e) _____
- f) _____

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WRITE QUESTIONS & ASK YOUR PARTNER(S)

Student B: Do not show these to your speaking partner(s).

- a) _____
- b) _____
- c) _____
- d) _____
- e) _____
- f) _____

WRITING

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Write about **Sesame Street** for 10 minutes. Read and talk about your partner's paper.

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