

What is Curiosity Corner 2nd Edition?

Curiosity Corner 2nd Edition is a complete, developmentally appropriate program for four-year-olds. With a comprehensive curriculum featuring engaging media, a tremendous array of materials, assessments, and ongoing professional development, you have all you need to help your children succeed.

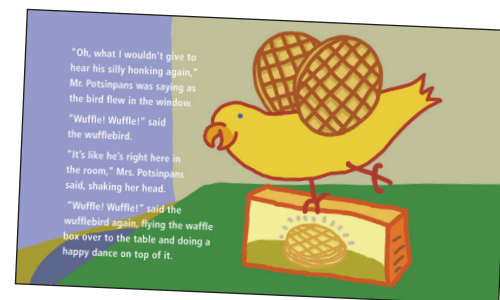
This new edition includes a variety of short *Sesame Street* segments to be used in the classroom and sent home for parent-child viewing as part of a daily Home Link program that reinforces learning and strengthens home-school bonds.

High-quality learning experiences at home and in school provide the foundation for children's future academic success. From birth to age five, children make giant developmental strides, more than at any other time in life. During this critical window, education is the key to unlocking their potential.

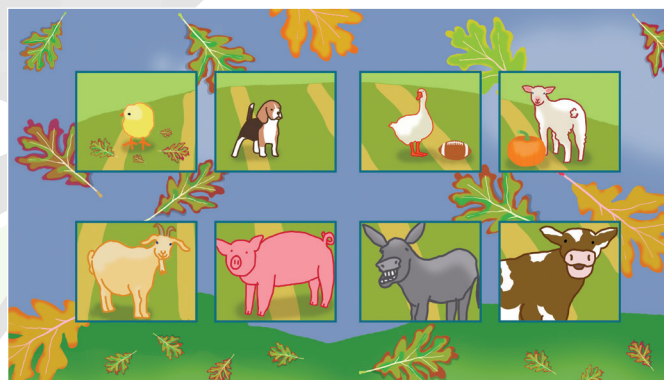
Curiosity Corner is research-proven to enhance children's development in nine domains—personal, interpersonal, language and literacy, mathematics, cognitive, science, social studies, creative, and physical.

Taught by certified teachers or paraprofessionals, the focus on language and literacy prepares children for reading.

Classroom content travels from school to home in the form of Home Link shows that support thematic content, letter recognition, and math concepts. Beautifully animated stories, vocabulary words, and math activities provide review for children and inform their parents of what they are learning.



Each Home Link episode contains a full-length story, which is usually theme related. The stories can be listened to or muted so a family member can read the story to the child.



Each two-week thematic unit has eight different exciting Home Link shows.

How does Curiosity Corner support teachers?

- Curiosity Corner provides professional development to help teachers:
 - implement a creative, engaging curriculum;
 - employ research-proven, developmentally appropriate, and instructionally effective teaching techniques;
 - make the most of engaging, theme-specific student materials;
 - administer authentic assessments; and
 - implement family-involvement strategies.
- Professional development begins with two days of initial training in Curiosity Corner objectives, components, and strategies. Complementary videos help teachers visualize the essentials.
- Teachers continue their professional development in component teams, which have scheduled meetings that focus on refining implementation. Sample agendas are available from SFAF Online Resources.
- Online tutorials with videos are also available for just-in-time support for specific parts of the program.
- Online data collection makes decisions easy.
- Support continues with ongoing, targeted professional development, including in-class visits from SFAF consultants to support implementation.



“For the majority of our students who go into kindergarten through Curiosity Corner, there is a marked difference in performance from those who don’t.”

Joe Nocera
PRINCIPAL
WELLS ACADEMY
STEUBENVILLE, OH

Does Curiosity Corner work?

Curiosity Corner is not only research-based—it is research-proven. A longitudinal, randomized study found that Curiosity Corner significantly improved children’s reading by the end of kindergarten, compared with children who participated in other preschool programs. Earlier research showed that Curiosity Corner also enhances children’s expressive language.





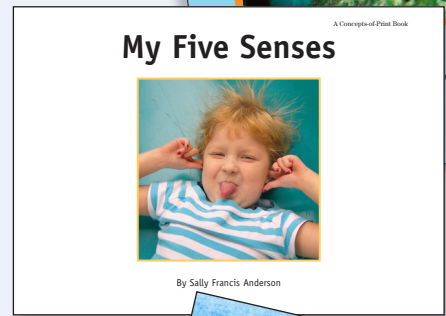
Curiosity Corner Classroom Package

Classroom Kits

Each kit creates a rich, stimulating experience for kids and easy organization for teachers. Detailed lesson plans for each theme let teachers plan less and teach more.

Kits include:

- *Curiosity Corner Teacher's Manual*
- Interactive-whiteboard lessons featuring embedded video
- Theme guides that support 18 two-week themes
- More than 130 story books
- Eleven books to start a lending library
- Eighteen concepts-of-print books that children take home
- Theme-related puzzles and games
- High-quality hand puppets
- Posters and rhyme-card sets
- Set of full-color picture cards
- Math manipulatives



Why choose Curiosity Corner?

Curiosity Corner:

- aligns with state and national early childhood standards,
- offers literacy-focused and problem-solving activities,
- includes thematic units and materials,
- provides teachers with a complete preschool program,
- enhances the development of the whole child,
- supports teachers with ongoing coaching, and
- includes access to short *Sesame Street* segments that children view with their parents to reinforce classroom learning and engage parental support.



To find out more about Curiosity Corner, please call (800) 548-4998, ext. 2372, or visit the SFAF website at www.successforall.org.

We can arrange a visit for you to see Curiosity Corner in action.

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