

Anne

The Animated Series

EDUCATOR'S  
GUIDE  
EPISODE #14





## CHORES ECLIPSED – EPISODE #14

Anne eagerly plans a party to coincide with the coming lunar eclipse, until her obsession causes her to neglect her household chores and throw Green Gables into chaos.

### Learning Objective

Every child hears again and again that chores are a necessary part of life, but understanding why chores are important will build:

*Life Skills Development*

### Talking About the Episode

Anne becomes involved in planning a party for the lunar eclipse and overlooks her daily chores until she realizes that chores are a necessary part of family life.

Anne dreams of how spectacular her lunar eclipse party will be, but in reality she's having a hard time managing the party and her chores. When she falls behind on her chores, she feels like she's the one who has to do everything, but when she fantasies that Marilla and Matthew quite doing their chores, she releases the importance of everyone pitching in.

- Why does everyone have to do chores? What kind of chores do you do? Does everyone in your family do chores?
- What would happen if your Mom and Dad didn't do their chores?

### What If?

Create a pile of story starters that children can, individually or in pairs, create a story around using pictures or words. All of the starters can focus on the importance of being a contributing part of a family or classroom:

“At home/at school each week, my chores include...”

“It was my turn to clean, but there was no electricity so I had to...”

“If we never put the things we use away...”

“Tired of the daily chores, I invented a robot that could...”



## CHORES ECLIPSED – EPISODE #14 (CONTINUED)

### No Chores Today

April 7th is No Housework Day. Enjoy it while you can! Use the extra time to make a chore chart-a poster of who is responsible for what chores (at home or in the classroom).

### Suggested Storybooks

- *The Berenstain Bears and the Messy Room* by Stan and Jan Berenstain
- *Mr. Messy* by Roger Hargreaves
- *Franklin Is Messy* by Paulette Bourgeois
- *Amelia Bedelia (helps out)* by Peggy Parish

### The Moon Book by Gail Gibbons

This non-fiction picture book is full of interesting facts including the phases of the moon and lunar eclipse. It's a non-fiction, easy-to-follow and fun for young children.

After reading a storybook about the moon, make your own full moon. Use cardboard circle patterns made (ahead of time) about 7 inches in diameter to have children trace an outline of a moon. Draw five or seven crater (circles) inside the moon. Trace the outline of the craters with a heavy bead of white glue.

Once the glue has dried, watercolour the inside of the craters with a dark shade of green, blue or purple. Use watered-down paint of the other two colours to wash across the face of the moon so it has a hazy appearance. When the paint is completely dry, cut out your full moon.