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## Dragon Tales 108

### The Talent Show

(on IPTV 5/31/04 at 12:30 p.m.)

The Dragon School talent show is coming and all the dragons are polishing their acts. Everyone that is, except Cassie who worries she doesn't have a talent to share. Eventually, Cassie uncovers a *natural* talent—the gift of helping people. Talk with children about different kinds of talents, including those that come naturally, as Cassie's did, and those that come with practice, such playing a musical instrument. Help children feel proud of their accomplishments by acknowledging their special gifts and the efforts they put into them.

This month, *Dragon Tales* gets a starring role on the PBS Kids Share a Story Talent Show, a two-hour special airing on May 31<sup>st</sup>. PBS KIDS Share a Story is a national campaign designed to inspire adults to help children develop language and literacy skills through such activities as reading, drawing, storytelling, rhyming and singing. Special promotional spots will air around *Dragon Tales* "The Talent Pool," and other PBS Kids shows. So stay tuned to PBS Kids and encourage your children to sing along as they watch!

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*Joshua's Masai Mask* by Dakari Hru

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<p><b>4077 (on IPTV 5/3/04)</b> Zoe and Elmo want to play, but they can't decide <i>what</i> to play or who should go first. <b>Tip:</b> Ask your child what her favorite games are, then choose some to play together. <b>Letter and Number: U, 3</b></p>	<p><b>4062 (on IPTV 5/18/04)</b> Elmo's "Little Furry Red Monster Parade" quickly turns into an <i>anybody</i> parade that <i>everyone</i> can join! <b>Tip:</b> Start your own parade: Make paper hats, sing silly songs and march around your home. <b>Letter and Number: F, 6</b></p>
<p><b>4078 (on IPTV 5/4/04)</b> Uh oh, Baby Bear's fool-proof napping system isn't working—Curly is still awake! <b>Tip:</b> Read <i>The Napping House</i> by Don Wood and Audrey Wood. <b>Letter and Number: V, 8</b></p>	<p><b>4063 Global Grover (on IPTV 5/19/04)</b> The furry traveler visits China where he watches an acrobatic troupe perform impressive physical feats. <b>Tip:</b> Help your child practice a simple acrobatic move, such as a somersault. <b>Letter and Number: T, 20</b></p>
<p><b>4079 (on IPTV 5/5/04)</b> Miles and his band members need to practice, but everytime they think they've found a quiet place, they get disturbed. <b>Tip:</b> Read <i>Five Minutes' Peace</i> by Jill Murphy. <b>Letter and Number: W, 5</b></p>	<p><b>4064 (on IPTV 5/20/04)</b> Elmo and Zoe learn a dance from Zoe's pet rock, Rocco. Soon, chickens and pigs join in! <b>Tip:</b> Let your child choose a few stuffed animals, then play some music and dance together. <b>Letter and Number: A, 1</b></p>
<p><b>4080 (on IPTV 5/6/04)</b> Elmo wishes he was a feathery bird instead of a furry monster. <b>Tip:</b> Ask, "What would you wish to be?" Then let your child pretend play with props and costumes around the house. <b>Letter and Number: X, 2</b></p>	<p><b>4065 (on IPTV 5/21/04)</b> Elmo and Zoe have a shape-filled day playing "Sesame Street Squares." <b>Tip:</b> With your child, cut differently sized squares from colored paper. Glue them onto another piece of paper in a mosaic picture. <b>Letter and Number: I, 7</b></p>
<p><b>4081 (on IPTV 5/7/04)</b> With the help of her friends, Rosita realizes that she should be proud of her accent because it makes her so unique! <b>Tip:</b> Sit in front of a mirror with your child and point out his special qualities. Then give him a big hug! <b>Letter and Number: Y, 7</b></p>	<p><b>4066 (on IPTV 5/24/04)</b> Baby Bear writes a new story featuring the <i>four</i> bears. <b>Tip:</b> Together with your child, choose a favorite tale and give it a twist, such as "Jack and the Celery Stalk." How will that change the story? <b>Letter and Number: J, 9</b></p>
<p><b>4082 (on IPTV 5/10/04)</b> Every time Big Bad Wolf loses, he huffs and puffs, and upsets everyone! <b>Tip:</b> Together, use facial expressions to show various emotions. Then discuss good ways your child can cope with feelings of anger and/or frustration, such as taking a deep breath. <b>Letter and Number: Z, 11</b></p>	<p><b>4067 (on IPTV 5/25/04)</b> Elmo is happy to finally find new band members for his quartet. <b>Tip:</b> Help your child make a funky guitar: Wrap rubberbands around a shoebox and strum away. Sing along and you've got a band! <b>Letter and Number: K, 4</b></p>
<p><b>4057 (on IPTV 5/11/04)</b> Elmo takes a trip down <i>Sesame Street</i> memory lane and revisits special events with the cast and characters. <b>Tip:</b> Look through a family album with your child and recall the special things you've done together. <b>Letter and Number: C, 10</b></p>	<p><b>4068 Elmo's World: Hands (on IPTV 5/26/04)</b> We use our hands for many things—eating, drawing, even communicating! <b>Tip:</b> Make sculpting dough with your child. Mix two cups flour and one cup salt; add one cup water and stir. Knead dough and create! <b>Letter and Number: L, 11</b></p>
<p><b>4058 Elmo's World: Bath Time (on IPTV 5/12/04)</b> Elmo learns that people take baths in different ways, and that baths keep people—and <i>animals</i>—clean and healthy. <b>Tip:</b> Offer your child soap and a washcloth, and let him give his toys a bath. Talk about why it's important to stay clean. <b>Letter and Number: B, 8</b></p>	<p><b>4069 (on IPTV 5/27/04)</b> What did Gordon run into? It's big, it's shaggy...it's invisible Snuffy! <b>Tip:</b> Play a guessing game with your child. Place items in a pillowcase and have her feel them to guess what they are. <b>Letter and Number: M, 12</b></p>
<p><b>4059 (on IPTV 5/13/04)</b> Baby Bear can't believe Curly doesn't like porridge—his favorite food! <b>Tip:</b> Ask, "What's your favorite food?" Then choose a healthy dish to prepare together and enjoy! <b>Letter and Number: N, 3</b></p>	<p><b>4070 (on IPTV 5/28/04)</b> Snuffy is <i>still</i> invisible and Big Bird is <i>very</i> worried. Together, they sing about being friends. <b>Tip:</b> Help your child make a friendship collage using photographs of his friends, markers and pictures cut from magazines. <b>Letter and Number: O, 15</b></p>
<p><b>4060 (on IPTV 5/14/04)</b> Baby Bear and Big Bird have difficulty adjusting to Alan's replacement at Hooper's Store. Eventually, they realize change can be a good thing! <b>Tip:</b> Explore change with your child by rearranging her bedroom furniture together. <b>Letter and Number: D, 17</b></p>	<p><b>4071 (on IPTV 5/31/04)</b> In Super Grover's School for Super Heroes, students choose super hero names and sing the "Help Song." <b>Tip:</b> Ask, "What name would you choose? What do you think makes a super hero, <i>super</i>?" <b>Letter and Number: H, 13</b></p>
<p><b>4061 (on IPTV 5/17/04)</b> Cinderella's Fairy Godmother is so upset after making a mistake (turning Cinderella into a chicken), she quits! <b>Tip:</b> Ask your child how he's felt when he's made a mistake. What helps him to feel better? <b>Letter and Number: E, 5</b></p>	



<p><b>220 Just for Laughs (on IPTV 5/3/04)</b> The gang is eager to find Quetzal's special eggs, but first they must work together to solve some clues. <b>Tip:</b> Cook scrambled eggs together. Make them special by topping with shredded cheese.</p>	<p><b>107 The Giant of Nod (on IPTV 5/18/04)</b> Zak and Wheezie argue over which song to perform at the concert. <b>Tip:</b> Play a selection of music for your child. As you listen, ask her to describe what she likes about each piece.</p>
<p><b>221 Make No Mistake (on IPTV 5/4/04)</b> Max is excited—and nervous—about landing the lead in the School in the Sky play. <b>Tip:</b> Talk with your child about a time when he was worried about making a mistake. Assure him that <i>everyone</i> makes mistakes.</p>	<p><b>108 The Talent Pool (on IPTV 5/19/04)</b> Cassie doesn't think she has a talent to contribute to the Dragon School show. <b>Tip:</b> Help your child identify a "natural" talent, such as drawing or sharing toys. Celebrate his gift with a hug or by sharing his "talent" with others.</p>
<p><b>222 Sorrow and the Party (on IPTV 5/5/04)</b> Max is hurt when his friend doesn't invite him to his birthday party. So Quetzal suggests he do things that make him happy. <b>Tip:</b> Ask, "What things make <i>you</i> happy?" Then do some of them together.</p>	<p><b>109 Dragon Sails (on IPTV 5/20/04)</b> Ord laments his large size when he topples a small boat and sends everyone into the water. <b>Tip:</b> Explain to your child that people come in all shapes and sizes. Discuss the benefits of being large, small, etc.</p>
<p><b>223 Putting the Fun in Fun Houses (on IPTV 5/6/04)</b> Ord is too scared to go into the carnival fun house, so the gang helps him overcome his fear. <b>Tip:</b> Ask, "What do you think about the things they tried? What would you suggest?"</p>	<p><b>110 Eggs Over Easy (on IPTV 5/21/04)</b> When a slinky serpent steals a special egg, Cassie blames herself for being too afraid to speak up and stop him. <b>Tip:</b> Ask, "Have you ever been afraid to speak up? What made you feel that way?"</p>
<p><b>224 Puzzlewood (on IPTV 5/7/04)</b> To rescue their friends, Max and Emmy must solve several tricky puzzles. <b>Tip:</b> Together, make a puzzle: Cut an old drawing into different shapes. Mix them up, then try to put them back together.</p>	<p><b>111 Sky Pirates (on IPTV 5/24/04)</b> The gang helps Captain Scaliwag find his treasure by figuring out the hidden meaning in his pictures. <b>Tip:</b> Go outside with your child to look at the clouds. What images do you see in their shapes?</p>
<p><b>101 The Forest of Darkness (on IPTV 5/10/04)</b> Quetzal gives Ord an assignment in the Forest of Darkness, but Ord is afraid of the dark! <b>Tip:</b> Before bedtime, offer your child a flashlight and encourage her to explore her room in the dark.</p>	<p><b>112 Dragon Tunes: Round and Round (on IPTV 5/25/04)</b> This catchy song has the gang wiggling, giggling and stomping the ground as the world goes 'round! <b>Tip:</b> Play some music, then get up and wiggle, giggle and stomp around in your own silly dance.</p>
<p><b>102 Goodbye Little Caterpoozle (on IPTV 5/11/04)</b> When Cassie believes her pet caterpoozle has died, her friends cheer her up by remembering the fun they had together. <b>Tip:</b> Share with your child fond memories of a pet or loved one who has passed away.</p>	<p><b>113 A Kite for Quetzal (on IPTV 5/26/04)</b> The gang wants to surprise Quetzal with a handmade kite but realize they must plan their task first. <b>Tip:</b> Plan an outing with your child. Make a list of what you need, such as a blanket and ball.</p>
<p><b>103 Knot a Problem (on IPTV 5/12/04)</b> Max learns how to tie a knot so he can help the gang find a missing carousel pony. <b>Tip:</b> Gather colorful string, yarn or shoelaces from around the house, then practice making different kinds of knots with your child.</p>	<p><b>114 Dragon Drop (on IPTV 5/27/04)</b> Emmy helps Zak and Wheezie practice their catching skills for the Sackberry Toss. <b>Tip:</b> Play catch with your child using different kinds of balls, including big rubber balls, ping-pong balls or bean bags.</p>
<p><b>104 Calling Dr. Zak (on IPTV 5/13/04)</b> Zak is nervous about having to see Dr. Booboogone about his hurt foot. <b>Tip:</b> Ask, "How do you feel visiting the doctor?" Take turns playing doctor: Listen to your heartbeat or take your temperature.</p>	<p><b>115 A Cool School (on IPTV 5/28/04)</b> Quetzal offers Max and Emmy encouragement as they learn new dragon activities. <b>Tip:</b> Make a list of things your child can do already, along with things she's learning. Then help her practice.</p>
<p><b>105 Dragon Tunes: The Hello Song (on IPTV 5/14/04)</b> According to this lively song, saying "hello" is the thing to do when meeting someone new! <b>Tip:</b> Say "hello" to everyone you and your child meet a little differently; add a wave, a smile, even a handshake!</p>	<p><b>116 It Happened One Nightmare (on IPTV 5/31/04)</b> Ord had a terrible dream and kept everyone awake all night. And even though he's exhausted, he's too scared to nap! <b>Tip:</b> Read <i>There's a Nightmare in My Closet</i> by Mercer Mayer.</p>
<p><b>106 Snow Dragons (on IPTV 5/17/04)</b> Max and Ord ignore Quetzal's request to stay together and get lost on Snowy Summit. <b>Tip:</b> Talk with your child about how he would feel if he got lost. Together, make a plan for what to do if it should ever happen.</p>	

<p><b>136 The Name Game (IPTV is NOT Broadcasting this program)</b> The kittens learn the story of their names and realize how special they are. <b>Tip:</b> Celebrate your child's name: Together, design a sign for her bedroom door or spell it out in raisins on bread with peanut butter.</p>	<p><b>110 Sheegwa and the Blizzard (IPTV is NOT Broadcasting this program)</b> After a long day with Sheegwa, Sagwa realizes that being a big sister can be both difficult and rewarding. <b>Tip:</b> Ask, "What is the best—and most challenging—thing about being a big/little brother?"</p>
<p><b>137 Mini-documentary: Neighborhood (IPTV is NOT Broadcasting this program)</b> Kids from around the world show Sagwa what it's like to live in their neighborhoods. <b>Tip:</b> Read <i>My Painted House</i>, <i>My Friendly Chicken</i>, and <i>Me</i> by Maya Angelou.</p>	<p><b>111 Treasure Hunters (IPTV is NOT Broadcasting this program)</b> When Sagwa, Fu-Fu and Shei-hu get trapped in a cave, they each use their talents to escape. <b>Tip:</b> Ask your child what talents she has that would help in a sticky situation? Has she ever used them?</p>
<p><b>138 Return of the Rat (IPTV is NOT Broadcasting this program)</b> The kittens pair up to look for Nai-Nai's Zodiac figures, but Dongwa leaves Sheegwa behind because he thinks she's too slow. <b>Tip:</b> Ask your child if he's ever been left behind. How did it make him feel?</p>	<p><b>112 The Tortoise and the Cat (IPTV is NOT Broadcasting this program)</b> A friendly tortoise helps Sagwa appreciate the beauty of her home and garden. <b>Tip:</b> Take a stroll through a park with your child and point out the beauty you see—from flowers to insects.</p>
<p><b>139 On the Run (IPTV is NOT Broadcasting this program)</b> Sagwa is bored of her village and ready for an adventure, but she gets more than she bargained for. <b>Tip:</b> Read <i>Adventures of Taxi Dog</i> by Debra Barracca.</p>	<p><b>113 Alley Night Opera (IPTV is NOT Broadcasting this program)</b> Baba sings in anticipation of an upcoming opera performance and disturbs Mama. <b>Tip:</b> Discuss with your child different ways Baba might have expressed his joy of opera. Then together, sing a few of your favorite songs.</p>
<p><b>140 Mutt Who Would Be King (IPTV is NOT Broadcasting this program)</b> Sagwa learns a lesson from Sheegwa about being kind and generous to those in need. <b>Tip:</b> Together with your child, offer to help an elderly friend or neighbor with grocery shopping or other chores.</p>	<p><b>114 Princess Sheegwa (IPTV is NOT Broadcasting this program)</b> When Sheegwa is proclaimed a Princess, Sagwa becomes jealous of the attention she gets. <b>Tip:</b> Ask, "Why do you think Sagwa behaved that way? How do you think she should have handled it?"</p>
<p><b>104 Sagwa's Lucky Bat (IPTV is NOT Broadcasting this program)</b> Despite their differences, Fu-Fu and Sagwa have become best friends. <b>Tip:</b> Ask your child what she likes best about her friends. Then invite some of them over to play!</p>	<p><b>115 Sagwa Rules (IPTV is NOT Broadcasting this program)</b> When Sheegwa gets hurt after breaking a rule, the kittens realize some rules are important. <b>Tip:</b> Talk with your child about why certain rules, such as wearing a seatbelt, are necessary.</p>
<p><b>105 Cat Burglar (IPTV is NOT Broadcasting this program)</b> The kittens catch a burglar and prove that being "sneaky as a cat" isn't necessarily a bad thing. <b>Tip:</b> Do something good <i>and</i> sneaky with your child, such as placing an "I love you" note in a family member's lunch bag.</p>	<p><b>116 Mini-documentary: Hobbies</b> Sagwa learns about children whose hobbies include flying kites and taking photographs. <b>Tip:</b> Set aside time with your child to help him with a hobby. Photograph him doing it and place it in a frame.</p>
<p><b>106 The Foolish Magistrate's New Clothes (IPTV is NOT Broadcasting this program)</b> No one except Sagwa will tell the Magistrate that his "new robes" don't actually exist. <b>Tip:</b> Have your child draw a picture of new robes he thinks The Foolish Magistrate would be proud to wear.</p>	<p><b>117 Comic Opera (IPTV is NOT Broadcasting this program)</b> Sagwa must make an important delivery along a route filled with obstacles. Luckily, Fu-Fu helps her out. <b>Tip:</b> Ask, "When has your best friend helped you? How did it feel to know she was there for you?"</p>
<p><b>107 Magistrate Loses His Post (IPTV is NOT Broadcasting this program)</b> When The Foolish Magistrate thinks he's lost his job, his staff and family try make his last days special. <b>Tip:</b> Ask, "What kind of job would you like to have when you grow up?"</p>	<p><b>118 Festival of Lanterns (IPTV is NOT Broadcasting this program)</b> Sheegwa, Dongwa and Sagwa accidentally ruin the beautiful lantern Mama and Baba worked hard to create. <b>Tip:</b> Together with your child, create something unique from construction paper, scissors, tape and crayons.</p>
<p><b>108 Sagwa's Swan Song (IPTV is NOT Broadcasting this program)</b> The kittens and Tai-Tai learn an important lesson about gift-giving and receiving: It's the thought that counts. <b>Tip:</b> Together with your child, frame a special drawing or photograph as a gift for a friend or relative.</p>	<p><b>119 Snagged by a Thread (IPTV is NOT Broadcasting this program)</b> Sagwa considers letting someone else take the blame for an accident, then decides it's best to admit she was also responsible. <b>Tip:</b> Ask, "Has something like this happened to you? How was the situation resolved?"</p>
<p><b>109 Stinky Tofu (IPTV is NOT Broadcasting this program)</b> Sagwa loves her Grandfather's stories but can't stand his smelly breath. Will she be able to tell him the truth? <b>Tip:</b> Talk with your child about how to handle such situations appropriately, without hurting anyone's feelings.</p>	