

Kernel's Playhouse
Pause. Plan. Play!

PARENT GUIDE

Parent and caregiver guide

For parents and caregivers.

For grown-ups. Kernel's Playhouse is in development: videos, books and audio are planned, not finished.

Meet the Playhouse

Kernel is a popped popcorn kernel who lives in a magical movie theater with doors into eight worlds. He always has his pink-and-cyan glasses and his cotton candy, and his line is "Pause. Plan. Play!" His friends include Ladyfinger (a baby girl kernel and the sweetheart of the show), Pip, Dot, Beam, Twist, Halo, Bean and Bag, Marquee, Luna, Doodle and the six Glowbugs. The Narrator is an unseen voice.

Two kinds of shows (planned)

- **Adventures** with Kernel: stories about friendship, helping and trying again.
- **Ladyfinger's Learning Class:** short enrichment classes. Ladyfinger hosts, the Narrator explains, and Kernel helps. Classes can be watched in any order.

How to watch together

1. Sit with your child for the first few classes.
2. Pause when the Narrator asks a question. Let your child answer any way: pointing, drawing, signing, moving a card or just watching.
3. Each class ends with "the class is finished." That's a good place to stop.
4. Try the "carry it away" idea offline — counting spoons, lining up socks, naming a feeling.

What it is not

- It isn't a school programme or a test. No result is promised.
- It isn't a replacement for you, a teacher or professional support.
- Affirmation lines such as "I can ask for help" are gentle invitations, not promises or treatment.

Our design intent for children

- Kid areas are planned with no sign-ups, no chat, no comments and no purchases.
- Nothing in kid content asks children to buy, subscribe or ask you for anything.
- Grown-up information (help, settings, Bounceplex family-brand links) is kept in grown-up areas.

These are design goals under review by an attorney and a kid-privacy reviewer; they are not certifications.

Big feelings

Some stories include upset, worry or waiting. Each story ends with comfort and a clear stopping point. If your child gets upset, stop, cuddle, talk, and come back another day — or not at all.

Telling us what you think

Feedback comes from grown-ups only, through [TBD — grown-up contact route set by owner]. Please don't send children's names, photos or recordings.

Status

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