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Cathleen Schine writes that "good TV is not just TV about good behavior" ("From Lassie to Pee-wee," Oct. 30). This is true, but it does not follow that only programming that celebrates freedom and rebellion is good children's television. Children also want to be part of the adult world. They want to learn about themselves and the physical world around them.

It is surprising to read an article about children's television that ignores Public Television. "Mister Rogers' Neighborhood," "Sesame Street," "Reading Rainbow," "Wonderworks" and "Deglassi Junior High" provide different voices in a world of children's television, which is often most concerned with mimicking last year's hottest hit. SAM NEWBURY Director of Production Family Communications
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