



Fred Rogers

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Mr. Rogers' Neighborhood was a popular children's television program that ran from 1968 to 2001. It was designed by a soft spoken media pioneer named Fred Rogers. Some of the children who liked his show grew up and went to work at Google, and they made this stop motion tribute to Mr. Rogers, at <http://bit.ly/2QSwjk2>. Want to learn more about the man behind the show? Here are five links plus a YouTube playlist with more neighborhood highlights.

1. Where was Mr. Rogers' real neighborhood? And what famous golfer grew up there? You can find the answers to both questions at <http://bitly.com/2QqZeL4>

2. What was Fred Roger's favorite musical instrument? Fred loved all musical instruments, but his favorite was probably the piano, according to Parade Magazine <http://bit.ly/2N065Jr>. When he was 13, his Grandmother purchased him a refurbished 1920 Steinway Concert Grand Model D — one of the finest pianos in the world. Today it is worth as much as a small house, and you can play it if you visit the Fred Rogers Center in Latrobe, PA. What to hear one? <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=3Es5uYYrlaQ>

3. What did Fred Rogers do to relax? At the Neighborhood Archive <http://bitly.com/2RnguSC> you can learn about episode 1493 where Fred visits the pool to swim.

4. What one of the following are true about Fred Rogers:

- a) He was color blind.
- b) He came from a wealthy family.
- c) He weighed 143 pounds.
- d) He was an ordained minister.
- e) He could speak French.
- f) He was a vegetarian.
- g) All of the above.

The answer is g) all of the above. Learn more at Fred's Wikipedia page https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Fred_Rogers

5. Where can I watch the Mr. Rogers' Neighborhood shows?

The shows are available on Amazon.com's video streaming service, but if you don't have a subscription you can find over 600 shows at www.archive.org. Here's the link <http://bitly.com/2IA1ehf>

Watch Earthrise: Recommended for older children interested in space exploration

If you could stand on the moon and look back at the Earth, you'd experience a powerful feeling. Only 24 people have been able to do it, and this 30 minute video documents what they felt.

Watch Earthrise at <https://nyti.ms/2P6T3LW>

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Above: Fred's famous Steinway piano. Below, the amazing view of Earth from the moon.



Fred Rogers on YouTube

Want more? Here's a video playlist that go along with this column:

<https://www.youtube.com/playlist?list=PLcBVHzUUEKwIjXY7lxlu88JfoovmtimCv>

