

**2009-2010  
WHRO Classroom Preview**

**Series Title: Word Zap**

**Curriculum Area: English**

**Grades: 3-5**

**# of Programs/Length: 5/15 minute programs (CC)**

After alien Xylo crash-lands on Earth, he meets Coz, an alley cat with an excellent knowledge of the English language and its grammatical structures. Colorful animation, loads of humor and plenty of adventure keep things lively in this five-part series. Your students will enjoy reviewing grammar basics using a combination of words and images that create memorable lessons. A Teacher's Resource Book includes illustrated reproducible worksheets.

**1.) The Noun Who Fell To Earth**

Xylo's spaceship crashes behind Pizza Pow, where he meets Coz. Together, they share an Earth meal while learning about nouns—compound, proper, concrete, abstract, singular, plural and more.

**2.) Close Encounters Of The Verb Kind**

The adventure continues as Xylo and Coz visit a shopping mall. As Xylo marvels at the things Earth people can buy, Coz explains action verbs, direct and indirect verbs, and agreement.

**3.) The Day The Pronoun Stood Still**

At a zoo, Coz gives Xylo a double lesson in animals and pronouns. These zany friends then discuss personal pronouns, antecedents, agreement and the difference between subjective, objective and possessive pronouns.

**4.) Attack Of The 50-Foot Adjective (*PREVIEW PROGRAM*)**

When Coz takes Xylo to the carnival, the rides and game booths are a perfect backdrop for learning about adjectives.

**5.) The Adverb Strikes Back**

In the last installment of the series, Xylo has fixed his ship and takes Coz back to his home planet. There Xylo discovers the questions that adverbs answer (how, when, where) and the types of words that adverbs describe or modify.