

STORY TIME RESOURCES

WHERE'S RODNEY?

STORY TIME DESCRIPTION

Where's Rodney? It's not just a question but the title of our book today. [Where's Rodney?](#) by Carmen Bogan tells the story of a boy named Rodney who takes a field trip with his classmates to Yosemite National Park. Rodney is always thinking about being outside and that is where he wants to be more than anything, but he doesn't have too many opportunities to be outside. After his field trip to the park he discovers just how *majestic* outside can be.

HANDS-ON ACTIVITIES

- **Diversity in the Classroom:** [PBS VPM](#) provides a list activities that promote racial and cultural awareness in the classroom.
- **Using Eggs to Teach Diversity:** This [egg activity](#) introduces young children to the concept of diversity and does a great job explaining that people are different shades.
- **Cultural Diversity:** School Discount Supplies has provided some [free creative activities](#) that promotes cultural diversity.
- **Music & Movement:** Play some multicultural music. [Putumayo Kids](#) provides international music that introduce children to other cultures.
- **Multicultural Materials:** Here's a list of suggested [multicultural materials](#) for children that promotes diversity through play from Montessori from the Heart and [amazon](#).

OTHER HELPFUL RESOURCES

- **Project Learning Tree:** Here's a [Recommended Reading](#) from Project Learning Tree featuring *Where's Rodney?* by Carmen Bogan.
- **Teaching Young Children about Race:** Teaching for a Change published an article called [Teaching Young Children about Race: A Guide for Parents and Teachers](#).
- **Tips for Teaching and Talking to Kids about Race:** Read and/or download the [10 Tips for Teaching and Talking to Kids about Race](#).
- **Virginia Wildlife:** Discover Virginia's wild side by exploring some of the sites on [The Virginia Bird & Wildlife Trail](#).

- **Visit National Parks:** Use these books as a guide to help locate national parks you would like to visit [*Natural Wonders of Virginia: Exploring Wild and Scenic Places*](#) by Deane Winegar and [*National Parks of the USA*](#) by Kate Siber
- **On Netflix:** Watch [Bookmarks](#) on Netflix. This is a show that features twelve five minute episodes of different children's books written by African-American authors being read by prominent African-American celebrities and artists.

RELATED CHILDREN'S BOOKS

- [*Daniel Finds a Poem*](#) by Micha Archer
- [*A Stick is an Excellent Thing: Poems Celebrating Outdoor Play*](#) by Marilyn Singer
- [*Hiking Day*](#) by Anne Rockwell
- [*The Hike*](#) by Alison Farrell
- [*The Camping Trip*](#) by Jennifer K. Mann
- [*Run Wild*](#) by David Covell
- [*Beach Tail*](#) by Karen Lynn Williams
- [*Ruby's Birds*](#) by Mya Thompson
- [*You Matter*](#) by Christian Robinson
- [*Buzzing with Questions: The Inquisitive Mind of Charles Henry Turner*](#) by Janice N. Harrington
- [*I Love Insects*](#) by Lizzy Rockwell
- [*Hanks Big Day*](#) by Evan Kuhlman
- [*Jabari Jumps*](#) by Gaia Cornwall
- **Multicultural Picture Books:** Here's a list of [50 best multicultural picture books of 2020](#) according to www.coloursofus.com