

OPTIONAL Storytime Event Guide and Activities for Educators



Monday

October 6th

Read the book <u>The Wonderfully Wild Ones</u> to the class/group of children. Ask students if they recognize any of the places mentioned in the story.

Guide students through the movement activity provided.

Tuesday

October 7th

**View the video of the author interview.

Have students create their own mini storybook all about their connection to West Virginia. Using fun writing prompts and illustrations, each child will celebrate the people, places, and nature that make their home state special. (Handout provided)

Wednesday

October 8th

Have students imagine they are on an adventure somewhere in West Virginia (it could be a waterfall, lake, mountain, train ride, or historic town). Using the provided template, have them draw a picture of the place on the front of the postcard.

On the back, they write a short note as if they are really there.

Thursday

October 9th

Show students a map of West Virginia and where they are currently located on the map. Hand out the Wild and Wonderful Adventure Map. Ask students to draw a heart where they live and draw a line to one WV place they'd like to visit.

Friday

October 10th

**View the video of WVPB Staff reading the book, place the book for children to look through, explore more activities such as the WV Park Research Brochure, and don't forget to take the end of project survey!

**Additional resources and videos located at wwpublic.org/wvpb-education/mountain-readers-program/

