

Don't Call Me Bear!

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Synopsis: Ever been called by a different name? Yeah, I think we all have once or twice (unless you are a twin – then more often!) WELL, poor Warren gets called the wrong name ALL the TIME! He is a marsupial – not a BEAR! And he would like to set the record straight!

Suggested Reading Date: September is Save the Koala's Month
May 3rd is National Koala Day
November 7th is Hug a Bear Day

Activity Descriptions:

- Dress a koala bear
- Share with *The Bear Report* by Thyra Heder and use a Venn diagram comparing the information with polar bears and koalas
- Make a Koala Bookmark from Red Ted Art
- Create a Koala mask from My Poppet (I'd have them create yarn poms instead of fur)

Related Websites:

- Nat. Geo. Wild – Koala 101 - <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=oI3ADcDH0Uc>
- Save the Koala Facts - <https://www.savethekoala.com/about-koalas/interesting-facts>
- Nat Geo. Kids 10 Facts - <https://www.natgeokids.com/uk/discover/animals/general-animals/ten-facts-about-koalas/>
- Scholastic Interview with Aaron Blabey - <http://www.scholastic.ca/books/authors&illustrators/aaron-blabey>
- Story Box Library presents Aaron Blabey - <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=7-v61LeXrhc>
- Red Ted Art - <https://www.redtedart.com/koala-bookmark-corner/>
- My Poppet - <https://mypoppet.com.au/makes/kids-craft-koala-mask-with-template/>

Text to Text Connections:

The Bear Report by Thyra Heder

Quit Calling Me Monster by John Jory

Climb Koala by Jennifer Szymanski

I am a Koala by Heather Kisson

Koala Bear: The Bear that is Not a Bear by Diana Star Helmer

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