

Rich: A Dyamonde Daniel Book

A RIF GUIDE FOR PARENTS AND FAMILIES

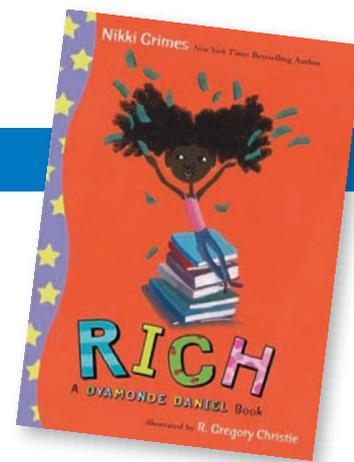
Themes: Friendship, Poetry, Homelessness, Determination

Grade Level: 3rd to 5th grade

Book Brief: Dyamonde Daniel and her friend Free learn the real meaning of the word “rich.”

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TIME TO READ!

Before reading, read the character introductions:

The book introduces the characters before the story begins. Based just on the

introductions, which character does your child like best?

While reading, look at the pictures: Notice how the illustrations help to tell the story. What’s happening in each picture?

After reading, ask questions:

- ◆ How do Free and Dyamonde define “poor”?
- ◆ Why doesn’t Dyamonde sign up for the poetry contest?
- ◆ What made Damaris smile?
- ◆ What does this book tell you about Dyamonde as a friend?
- ◆ Did your favorite character change after reading?
- ◆ What does it mean to be “rich”?

RELATED ACTIVITIES

PANCAKE PARTY

Dyamonde’s mother makes awesome pancakes. Make pancakes using your own recipe or a mix. Add blueberries or another fruit to the batter before cooking. Get creative with some new toppings. Instead of syrup, try fresh fruit, jelly or even peanut butter. Enjoy!

OUT AND ABOUT

Try treasure hunting at a secondhand store, flea market or yard sale. Compare prices with a regular store. How much did you save on the item you bought?

RECYCLED ART

Materials: any item that is free and is no longer being used for its original purpose (buttons, nuts, sticks, paper scraps, bottle caps, egg cartons, fabric scraps, etc.)

Let your child use the “free” items to make a collage or a sculpture. Make sure your child gives their creation a name.

Stumped for ideas? Try

www.kinderart.com/

recycle to get your

creative juices

flowing!



ADDITIONAL RESOURCES



OTHER BOOKS BY THIS AUTHOR

Barack Obama: Son of Promise, Child of Hope (2008),

Make Way for Dyamonde Daniel (2009),

Almost Zero: A Dyamonde Daniel Book (2010).



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