

Song of Wooley Creek

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The Song of Wooley Creek
Is not the only song.
Each water from the Mountain down,
Adds its voice.
Where does it end?

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At the mouth of Wooley Creek
There is a deep pool.
In Spring and Fall salmon come.
Before there were many,
Now only a few.

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Above Wooley Creek stands the Mountain.
While Wooley sings all day
The Mountain says nothing
Until you wait three days on top.

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The way to Wooley Creek
Is not hard to find
Yet few know the way.
They pass near but fail to notice.

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You can get lost up Wooley Creek
But not for long.
You can get found up Wooley Creek
Walking under a rainbow.

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In the end Wooley Creek just is
A place on Planet Earth.
Wild and mostly alone
It does not need us to notice.

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