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This lecture explores the legacy of Caribbean and Guyanese born historian, political activist and scholar Walter Rodney (1942-1980). With his work “rooted in the history of Africa and the African diaspora” (Lewis 1998, xiv), we look specifically at his text The Groundings with my Brothers so as to examine Rodney’s political and intellectual positions as they pertain to race, color and class struggles occurring in Africa and the Caribbean in the post-colonial moment. Central to this discussion are Rodney’s positions on Pan-Africanism and Black Power and how he saw the anti-colonial revolutionary struggles in Africa as tied to that of persons of African descent in the diaspora.

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