

Nature  
Connections

Summer Series

# Summer Fun

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## Dedication

*For my Grandmother.  
Your legacy lives on!*



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# Caregivers of Mother Earth



*Do you ever wonder about all the different people on Earth and where human life began? What does our family tree look like?*



*Ms. Cheryl is going to introduce us to the first people native to a particular area on Earth. If we could trace our story far enough back in time, we would eventually get to the beginning and see how we're all connected.*

*Oh, pardon me! Did I forget to introduce myself? I'm Light Feather and I love to hide in pictures. See if you can find me in 2 pictures in this story as we join Ms. Cheryl. Here we go . . .*





“Hi class,” said Ms. Cheryl. “I want to share about a brother and a sister that lived hundreds of years ago, before today’s countries were formed. They were the first people to live on the land who are Indigenous Peoples. Whether you learn about the Zulu nation from Africa, the Inuit from the North, or the Maya peoples from the Americas, they all had one thing in common: they all cared for Mother Earth.”



Today's story is about a family from the Cherokee nation who lived in the southeastern part of North America hundreds of years ago. Chief Wohali, which means Eagle, and his wife, Chenoa, which means White Dove, were expecting their first child. They were just waking up one morning . . .





“I had a dream that you gave birth to a strong son. We are to name him Kanati, the Lucky Hunter,” said Chief Wohali proudly.





“Dear husband, I also had a dream last night that I am going to give birth to a beautiful daughter named Ahyoka, which means, She Brings Happiness.”



# What season would you like to explore?



# Elle Travis

*Author*

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Whether exploring the neighborhood woods or playground adventures, Elle was outside from early morning until dusk. As she grew, her fascination with words grew too.

She received an urgent message from Spirit that she was holding ancient wisdom that needed to be shared with children. From there, *Nature Connections* was born. One of her roles in life was to become a pollinator of nature's wisdom and share it with children in fun, fanciful stories.

Elle acknowledges we are living in extraordinary times and everyone needs to awaken to what really matters: *we are all connected!* She believes nature connects us as one.

# Jenny L. Camp

## *Watercolor Artist and Illustrator*

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Artist, traveler, and believer, finding joy wherever she is, Jenny finds inspiration in the world around her, particularly animals and flowers and hopes that her art brings joy to others.

She has been making art in one form or another all of her life, but has always found watercolor beautiful and has been painting in that medium for the last eight years. Jenny has taken several formal classes but is primarily self-taught. She finds experimenting and playing with watercolor has been one of the best “teachers,” as well as painting with other artists and learning from each other.

Jenny plans to continue learning and exploring all that watercolor has to offer. She would like to continue making people happy with her art.

Continue the Journey  
as Light Feather sprinkles Fairy dust on . . .



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