



**A COLLECTION OF POETRY ABOUT NATURE'S WONDER** 

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## **SPRING ZEPHYR**

I want to see a world where mother nature is in control. Where spring zephyrs weave the wind through my hair

The blue beyond, not crowded with smoke Where birds fly free and climb high into the blue skies of life

The world now rises from the ashes as beauty grows As mountains of desolation no longer abound

When nature rules again, we will live peacefully In this place where better is best As we learn how to let nature roll over us

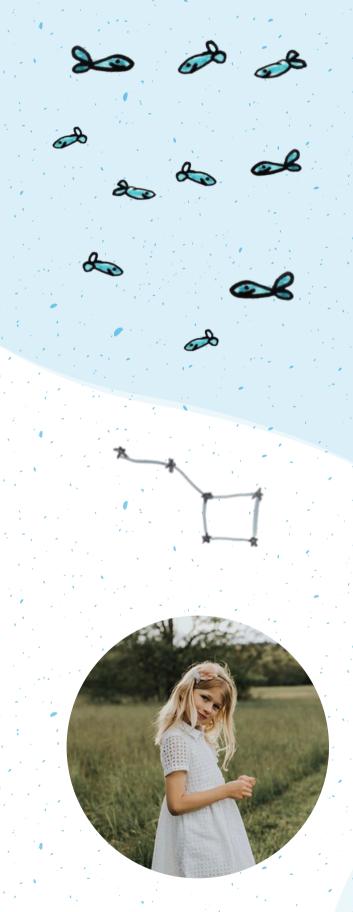
## **MY JEWELRY BOX**

My treasures are hidden under my jewelry box lid Walnuts, shark teeth, seashells, and more Nature's gifts, so round and sweet

I must make them last! These whispers of mother nature Reminding me the world is grand



Knowing that someday Mother Earth's trinkets may fade away I imagine a world where this won't happen But for now, I hide them inside my jewelry box



## WHAT IS A RIVER?

A river is a friend that binds us together Streaming bright through our hearts

A river is a journey through time The scent of a memory washing through us-

It's an ancient meeting place Veiled in mystery like kings as old as time And mermaids softly singing

A river is a smile that makes people laugh A puzzle, a constellation, a beacon

A river is a flow that never ends It bonds life and death together A river is nature's greatest treasure A river is infinity, a river is life



## ABOUT THE AUTHOR/ARTIST

Mara Bella Occhuizzo is an 8-year-old who loves to be outdoors. She enjoys hiking, bike riding, and is an avid reader.

Mara enjoys playing several instruments and loves learning bluegrass due to her proximity to world renowned bluegrass artists and teachers in the Shenandoah Valley of Virginia. She spends time turning her poems into songs.