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Why I Love Summer in Franklin Township

When do you feel closest to nature? I feel closest to nature in the summer. The first reason is because it is warm outside and I get to fish in my pond. I also explore the creek. I spend a lot of time camping in my backyard. That is why I feel closest to nature in the summer.

The first reason I feel closest to nature in Franklin Township in the summer is the warm air and sunshine. I can run to the pond with my sister to go fishing. The sun shines on the water and you can see the sunnies swimming just under the surface. Sometimes I just like to sit and smell the trees and grass and watch the water ripple in the summer breeze. When we do catch a fish, we're careful to remove the hook and release the fish back into the water.

The second reason why I feel close to nature in Franklin is because I can go camping in my backyard. When I am camping, I feel the wind going through the tent. I smell the maple tree and I see the creek that I am camping next to. I hear birds chirping and the wind blowing on top of the tent.

The third reason why I feel close to nature in Franklin is because I can play in my creek with my sister. I feel the cold water on my feet. I see a lot of foxes near the water because they have a den. I smell the grass when it is being cut near the creek. I hear the water splashing on my feet.

I love summer because it is warm and I get to play with my sister near the creek. I also go camping with my mom, dad, and sister. The summer makes me feel happy and close to nature in Franklin Township.