

## Adventure Through Time

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My name is Bella, and this is my story of how I tried to save my brother's life. The year is 1941 and my mother has just given me the news about my brother dying in the Japanese attack on Pearl Harbor. The one and only sibling that I can truly connect with, look up to, talk to, joke around with and now he is gone. I can not accept this and want him back whatever the cost, So I decided to try and discover how to time travel. Now an 11-year-old discovering time travel seems very unlikely but, I had to at least try. Knowing that mysterious things come from the forest that is where I headed first hoping to find something.

So, I'm in the middle of the forest when I find an old willow tree. It looks so majestic as it dances in the breeze. So, I decided to ask the willow for advice and the most amazing thing happened. The breeze picks up and all of the sudden I hear a voice not from the willow but from behind me. When I look to see what it is, I see a little fairy. "My name is Lilly. What is yours?" she asks. "Bella" I say softly half in disbelief and half because I don't want to scare her off. She might be able help me after all. So, I asked her, "Can you help me bring my brother back?" "she responds with and excitedly "Sure!" Wondering how in the world this little fairy will help me, I start to ask her how. Then I remember that fairies have magical powers. Out of nowhere the wind picks up again and I blacked out!

When I woke up, I was on a huge military ship! I look around and quickly realize I am in Pearl Harbor! Confused and scared, I call out for Lilly and hear a quiet voice respond, "Over here Bella." When I find her, I see that she is looking at a sailor. One that I recognize immediately as my brother Ty! "Ty! Ty!", I yell out and he spun around in surprise. "Bella!?! What are you doing here?" he asks with a puzzled look on his face. I look at my pocket watch and tell him "You need to get your men and get out of here NOW! In 20 mins this place is going to be under attack by the Japanese and you and so many others are going to DIE!" I tell him in desperation. He looked at me half panicked and half confused. "How do you know this and how are you even here?" I explained as quickly as I could about Lilly, the forest and time traveling. When I finish, he just hugs me close and then tells me "Wow, that's quite a story but it must be true since you are here. Bella if I am meant to die here then I want to at least die fighting for my country and doing what I love. You know this IS what I LOVE. I am here protecting you and everyone in our country. You can't just change what is meant to be without messing with the future. "When he was finished, I started to cry but knew he was right. "Don't cry I will always be with you." With those words lingering in my mind I hug him and tell him, "Goodbye brother I love you! Go be a hero!" I look back at Lilly and said, "Take me home please." But before we go, I run to Ty and give him one last hug; the last hug I would ever have from my brother. "Ok let's go." I say to Lilly immediately the wind starts to pick up and just before I black out, I can see a plane in the distance with a red dot on the side.

When I woke up, I was laying on the ground underneath the willow tree and Lilly was no where to be found. Then all of the sudden I hear a familiar voice calling my name. As I run toward the voice, I see my brother Ty standing there yelling, "Hurry up Bella we are late for dinner!" And that's when I realize it must have all been a dream or was it?