The Best of Family Summers
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I always like family best,
When you share delicious meals
And grin about the day
While throughout the air laughter peals

Or when you softly speak
And marvel over the majestic moon
The stars slowly speckle the sky
While you know the sun left too soon

Or when you bomb them with water
And once the colorful balloons crash
And explode one by one
Waiting, you know, it's gonna splash

Or when they grill out and the
Spicy and savoury aromas fill the air
They waver, as you wait hungrily and
With each bite, you know they care

Or when they enjoy a velvety cake with you
And while you blow out the candles
You remember the glowing fireflies you caught
Tiptoeing, in the soft grass with your sandals

This is only Summer, and it gets even better
Because in each memory you know
That family, even with their flaws, truly are the best
And they won't ever want to let go.
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