

The North – Blue Team – 1982

Never know what you want till
You reach for a star
Take a trip up north to find just
Who you are
Is there anything worse than being
Alone in a crowd
But there's always somebody there
To make you feel proud

Never heard such cheers, so many
Strange songs
The words that a friend of mine
Spoke still linger on
Then it all becomes clear
Just why we are here
It's the love at Tamakwa that
Draw us all near

Chorus:

Changes in you for eternity
Changes what you are
Or what you'll be
Though some faces are never
The same
Somehow the feelings remain

Many lifetimes ago
A seed was planted and grew
And we all share the fruits
Of someone most never knew
The warmth of a friend
A fire, a smile
Grab hold all you can
It last such a short while

Chorus

The bell's ringing early
The cabin is cold
The bags are all packed
The stories have been told
The summer is over
Friends are going away
The time has passed
All that's left is yesterday

Chorus (x2)

The South – Green Team – 1982

Now we're gone Camp Tamakwa
It's a feeling that just won't go away
We've left our thoughts in the cabins
During times when our minds were astray
We write these words that will be read again
Memories of that night, with our lifelong friends
The summer's gone, but our feelings will never end
The summer's gone, but our feelings will never end

Chorus:

While Camp Tamakwa keeps on changin'
With the faces rearrangin'
Turn around, observe the friends that we have found
There are special moments here; they bring us back each year
To find our names and bring old feelings near

(The second verse is played while solo lines are spoken... after solo lines, repeat chorus)

(After third chorus add: his dream began, and it's with us every year)

Time has passed; I've come back to see this fantasy
Where I spend my childhood days
So much is new, Camp Tamakwa
I know a part of me still remains
And then you see your writing on the wall
Your body's gone, but your spirit's here after all
The summer's gone, but our feelings will never end
The summer's gone, but our feelings will never end

Chorus

The East – Yellow Team – 1982

The sun is setting as I stop to think about
The past for a while
I know it's over and I see you're trying
Hard to sell me your smile

Chorus:

Open your eyes
Cause you'll be here again
The summer never really ends

The day is drawing near, tears can't hide my fears
About leaving this place
When I am home, I wonder why I didn't make
The best of my days

Chorus

Break

Repeat Chorus

That was yesterday and now I'm leaving you
I feel so alone
I look through the timeless glass and then I realize
Yesterday's gone

Then I open my eyes
Cause I know I'll be here again
Because the summer never ends

The West – Red Team – 1982

If you stop and listen, you will hear it
A free warm wind of expression and spirit
If you stop and look, you will feel it
This summer long embrace and you'll believe it

For now we are blessed with tranquility from inside
A respect for the northern woods no one would hide
Blessed with a time to discover what's real
Giving and gaining and showing we feel

Chorus:

Just take the time to live a man's dream
A dream of Tamakwa dreamt just for me
He wanted for us, what he had known
The dream of Unca Lou to make all your own

The hug from a Forester you never knew
The smile from a counsellor that's meant just for you
The cheers and the songs that we all sing
The laughter and warmth the cabin brings

Chorus