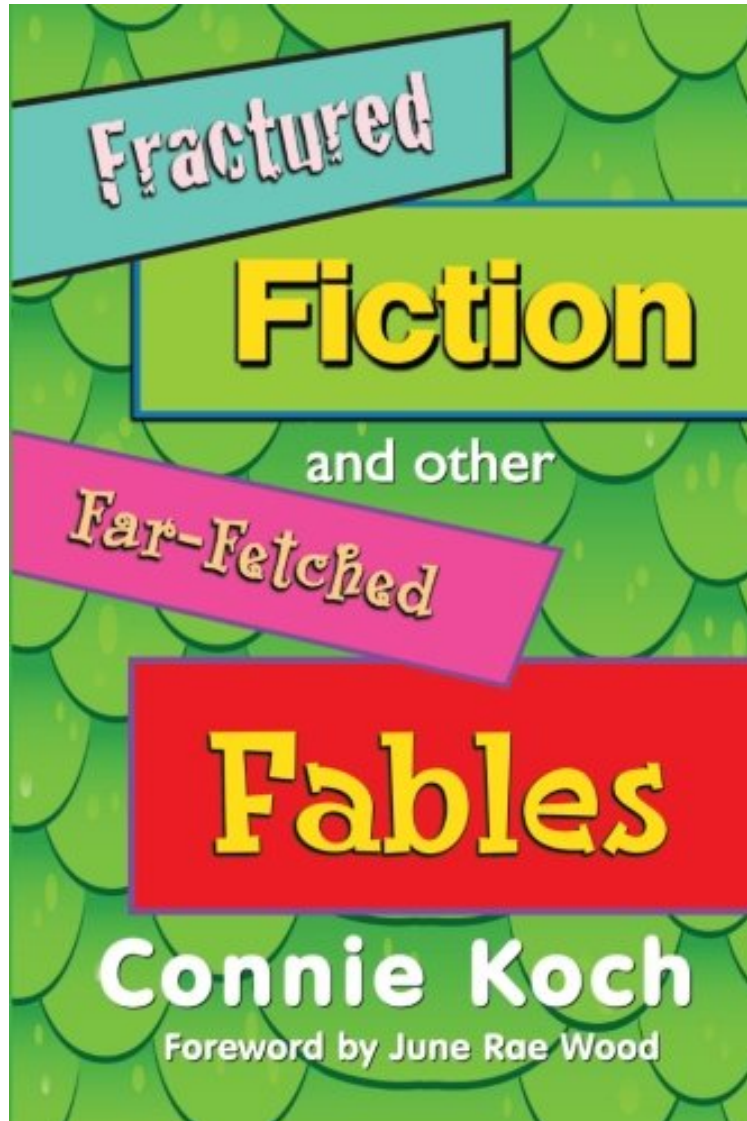


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Within these covers you may expect to find something for almost everyone. Humorous vignettes include read-aloud poetry for the younglings'. "An Easter Fable", "A Different Christmas Fable" and more fun-filled Holiday offerings will appeal to youth and adults alike. "Nu-Ah-Da, E-nah Du, E-say-see-see-kee" will transport you back to a time when a Cherokee Chief brought new meaning to that trite phrase 'Father Knows Best'! For those seeking more thought-provoking selections, the deep-thinker in you will enjoy "Is It The End Of The World As We Know It?" and "The Unsung". Agriculturists who, in their youth, were involved with that great organization, the FFA, will enjoy "The Creed". Recollections of those days in Vocational Agriculture class will remind us all that those of us who like to eat should thank a farmer! The author dedicates "My Dad's A Dairyman" to that very special farmer in her life. Perhaps you're more into an offering of mindless mish-mash of a nonsensical nature. We've got you covered as well with a series of short stories which prove that truth is always stranger than fiction. Shorts including "Who's Your Daddy?" and "The Brick Sidewalk Caper" will have you rolling on the floor! "The Bicycle Incident" introduces the reader to an unfortunate and hilarious encounter with the State Highway Patrol! "What Drops Out Of Sky" offers a humorous insider's view of skydiving you might expect from a child. Fun with snakes...yes, SNAKES and tales of side-splitting educational presentations 'gone south' will amuse and abuse your funny bone. "Snakes Alive!" and "More Snakes" will introduce the reader to the adventurous world of outdoor education on the wild side. "Snake Lady" will terrorize you with her 'witchie' ways and unique presentation style. The sport of speed roller skating is captured within the verse of "Those Fast Women", and "Skate Mother's Prayer". "My Little People" knocks the significance of roller speed skating up a notch with the revelation that within the author's family pod, if the grandlings' can't skate, well..."off to the \_\_\_\_\_". You get the picture! Buy the book and find out! Those grandlings' who escaped that 'uncertain consequence', have been invited to share their writing talent within the "Grandling' Gallery". Author, Julien Harrison, age 11, offers up "Julien's Lament" and "It's Halloween". Of a more thought-provoking nature, poignant selections, "Treasures", "Friends" and "Soldier's Sonnet" express both feelings of joy and appreciation we hold dear for those loves of our lives. "A Gift For Jesse" evokes heart-felt emotion from the soul of the author, a mother, who has lived the worst and come out on the other side a stronger person. This story of life, death and lives renewed showcases organ donation for what it is...the gift that keeps on giving. It reminds us that those who give the Gift of Life live on in more than just our memories. They live on. As you delve into this book of life experiences revealed, stories told in rhyme and short essay will reflect much of the author's personality and a glimpse into a life well-lived. Put a smile on your face, fasten your seatbelts and prepare for a wild read!

About the Author Connie Kay Koch started out as a child...imagine THAT!...in Sedalia, Missouri where she was born and continues to reside. Her first literary efforts were spawned in Mrs. Reno's 4th grade class at Whittier Elementary school. Growing up on the farm nurtured a natural interest in the outdoors that carried forth into careers as a Vocational Agriculture teacher and Outdoor Educator down the road. Positions with the Missouri Department of Conservation Wildlife and Fisheries departments greatly increased her knowledge of the outdoors creating a specialized interest in reptiles which resulted in more than 35 years of state-wide travel and programming with her amazing creatures. She is known in only the finest circles as 'Snake Lady' and wears the title proudly. A myriad of other interests include 50 years as an Amateur (Ham) Radio operator (WAOQCJ), SCUBA diving, sky diving, roller speed skating and coaching, kayaking, camping, Cub and Boy Scout leadin', snake handlin', boy raisin' and grandling' spoilin'. Other selections by the author have been published in; "National Future Farmer", "Missouri Farmer Today", "Skate" magazine, "Hoard's Dairyman", the Red Hat Society book, "Sassy, Classy and Still Sparkling" and numerous journals and publications. She has served as an Outdoor Trainer for The Department of Natural Resources and regional editor for "Legacy", a magazine for outdoor educators. Her contributions to "The Missouri Department of Conservation Education Series" include: "Biogeography of Missouri", "An Ecological Approach to Conservation Education" and "Soil Formation and Distribution In Missouri". The author's educational history include an Associate of Science degree in Agriculture Business at State Fair Community College in Sedalia, Missouri, a Bachelors of Science degree in Agriculture Education with a minor in Agriculture Mechanics at Central Missouri State University in Warrensburg, Missouri, and a Masters degree in Agriculture Education at University of Missouri, Columbia, Missouri. 'Snake Lady' continues to field a full calendar of reptile presentations state-wide and (although just thought she was retired) continues as a full-time para-professional educator in the Sedalia District #200 school system. She aspires to continue her writing as long as the inspiration holds out and her grandling's provide their fertile source of material for future writing. There is no doubt...life is good in Connie-land!