

Man Who Lived with Thunders

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There once was a man who said he could go and live with the thunders. The people asked him how he could go because he didn't have wings. He said he knew a way and named a day when the people could watch him.

The day came, he had a big round rock, "as big as this table" (ordinary enameled kitchen table), and he built a fire on top of this rock on a bluff overlooking a creek. He heated the rock until it was almost red hot, then he pushed it over the bluff into the water.

The water was heated and began to steam. The man stepped into the steam and disappeared. He later returned from the sky.