

APPENDIX I

SUMMARY OF THE NOVEL

The Vampire Diaries is an American supernatural horror romance television series created by Kevin Williamson based on the novels of the same name by author L. J. Smith. The series focuses on the fictional town of Mystic Falls, Virginia, that is charged with supernatural history. The season begins after the deaths of Elena and Jeremy Gilbert's parents. Both are put in their Aunt Jenna's custody. Jeremy has become a loner and Elena starts dating a boy named Stefan Salvatore. It is soon revealed that Stefan is a vampire and his brother Damon shows up in Mystic Falls and kills people at random.

The two brothers began to show affection for Elena, mainly because she was similar to the old woman they loved, Catherine Pierce. It turns out that Elena is a clone of Katherine Pierce. Katherine Pierce seduced the Salvadoran brothers centuries ago and turned them into vampires, letting their vampire-hunting father oppose them. Although Stefan eventually killed him, Catherine is probably trapped in the tomb below the church, and Damon is planning to release her. The story of these two men is more complicated because Elena is also interested in Damon Salvador, the brother of Stefan Salvador

Another supernatural revelation occurs when Elena's friend Bonnie Bennett discovers she is born into a line of witches and is a witch herself. She gets help from her grandmother to use her powers. Elena's friends and acquaintances also become involved such as Tyler Lockwood, son of the mayor, and Matt Donovan, Elena's ex-boyfriend and Caroline Forbes, daughter of the sheriff.

Jeremy falls in love with Vicki Donovan, Matt's sister, who uses drugs like him, but she was dating Tyler and starts a rivalry between the boys. Vicki breaks up with Tyler for Jeremy. She is later turned into a vampire by Damon, but her bloodlust was out of control and she is killed by Stefan. Jeremy witnesses this and Elena asks Damon to make Jeremy forget this to spare him the pain. Matt on the other hand is devastated. After the history teacher is killed, a man named Alaric is hired to take his place. Alaric came to town to kill Damon, believing him to have killed his wife, Isobel. Damon tries to kill him in self-defense, but Alaric wears a ring that keeps him from dying at supernatural hands. It is revealed Damon didn't

kill Isobel, but turned her into a vampire on her own account. Later, Alaric and Damon become friends.

At one point, Damon finds the tomb under the church, and has Bonnie and her grandmother help open it to find Katherine. During the search, a number of vampire escape, and it is discovered Katherine already escaped long ago. The tomb vampires are led by a female vampire named Pearl and her daughter Anna. Bonnie's grand mother dies and Bonnie begins to resent vampires. It also turns out a group called the Founder's Council know of the vampires and wish to kill them. The Council is led by Tyler's abusive father, Richard Lockwood. Caroline's mother, Sheriff Elizabeth Forbes is also a member, despite being friends with Damon, unknown that he is a vampire. Anna also starts a relationship with Jeremy. Jenna also starts dating a man named Logan, who cheated on her in the past. Soon, Logan is turned into a vampire by Anna, and is killed by Alaric, who tells her he left town. From that point Jenna starts dating Alaric.

It isn't long before Elena and Jeremy's uncle John, who they grew up hating shows up. John is working for the Council. The Council wish to use the Gilbert device to kill all vampires in Mystic Falls. Damon tries to kill John, but he is wearing a ring similar to Alaric's. It is revealed that John and Isobel, Alaric's vampire wife, are Elena's biological parents, they had Elena adopted by John's brother for her protection. It turns out they are also working for Katherine, and are using Mayor Lockwood and the others as pawns, although Isobel tells Elena their unofficial goal is to protect her.

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AUTHOR BIOGRAPHY

Lisa Jane Smith (Lisa Jane Smith), whose professional name is L.J. Smith, is a young American literary writer. Her book combines elements of horror, science fiction/fantasy, and romance. The book is full of young and obviously young humans and supernatural characters who are caught in the conflict between darkness and light, good and evil. Smith was born on September 4, 1965, in Villa Park, Orange County, California. In an interview, she said that she realized that she wanted to be a writer sometime between kindergarten and first grade, "when a teacher praised a terrible poem I wrote", and started seriously in elementary school. writing

Smith received a Bachelor of Arts degree in Experimental Psychology from the University of California, Santa Barbara in 1987, and subsequently received a teaching certificate in elementary education and special education from San Francisco State University. Before becoming a full-time writer, she taught kindergarten and special education for several years. Her first book "Night of the Winter Solstice" was published by McMillan in 1987, followed by "Heart of Courage" in 1990, and published 4 volumes of the "Vampire Diaries" series in 1991-2. Three trilogies followed: Secret Circle (1992), Taboo Game (1994), and Darkvision (1995). The first part of her popular Night World series was published in 1996, and eight more were published in the following two years.

In 1998, Smith began a decade-long writing break, and returned in 2008 with a new website and a series of new short stories. The *Vampire Diaries* was released in 2007, followed by the secret circle trigoly and the night world series in 2008/2009. Solid night and heart courage were also released in 2008. According to the autjor websites, the three new vampire diaries were published in 2009 and 2010, and the other three are also planned to be released. Smith lives in the San Fransisco Bay Area and takes a dog, three cats and about ten thousand books with her.