

Fuelacorna and the Oil Crisis

In a world where gas prices were rising roughly two cents per week, the world's supply of oil was quickly diminishing, and the exploitation of natural resources was at an all-time high, there was but a glimmer of hope. The people of Planet Earth, across cities, countries, and continents, were crying out an unappeased plead for help. A few galaxies away existed the planet of Ecomania, an eco-friendly planet with a solution to Earth's problems. The solution? Fuelacorna!

Fuelacorna, born Nutasha Oakenwood, grew up as an ordinary girl living the "green" lifestyle characteristic of her planet. Her parents were widely renowned scientists who had been researching and experimenting with alternative fueling for the greater part of their careers. On Nutasha's eighteenth birthday, she had a strange vision: She was on a foreign planet completely encompassed by small, gray animals with large, bushy tails ferociously nibbling on nuts that were falling from the sky. She was perplexed by this vision, and sought answers from her parents. There was a book on a table in their laboratory that contained a picture of the animal that had haunted her dreams. "What is that thing?" Nutasha asked. "It's a squirrel," her mother replied, "They live in abundance on the Planet Earth." Nutasha was intrigued and curious. She had never been to this strange planet; in fact, she had never even been more than a few hours away from her home. Nutasha began racking her brain for a way to explore this new world, but had no idea how she might get there.

One day, a few weeks later, Nutasha was walking home from school whistling a tune that had suddenly popped into her head. Suddenly, she tripped on a pot-hole in the road, but strangely, she did not fall down. She was hovering several feet above ground,

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just floating there. She moved her arms as if she were swimming and began to soar higher into the air. Nutasha could not believe what was happening—she was flying high up into the clouds, free to go anywhere she pleased! She pulled her universal map out of her backpack and set off for Planet Earth.

Flying all the way from Ecomania to Earth was slightly exhausting for Nutasha, but she was too exhilarated by her new power to really notice. As Nutasha broke through the Earth's atmosphere towards civilization, she experienced another strange phenomenon. The trees and the ground began to tremble, and her body became a magnet for thousands of nuts, just like the ones that were in her vision. As she grounded, the nuts fell off her body and dozens of the squirrel animals came running to catch the nuts. Nutasha's vision had turned into reality and she was perplexed by what it all meant.

Nutasha approached a young boy playing soccer not too far off to satisfy some of her curiosities. He told her that the nuts were called acorns and that other than nourishment for squirrels, they were virtually useless. He also told her that squirrels were useless and stupid, but that both acorns and squirrels were overall abundant, especially in the fall season. Nutasha thanked the boy for his help, collected as many acorns as she could in her backpack, and set off for home. On her flight back, Nutasha got an idea. For years, her parents had been searching for an alternative fuel source that would be better for the environment than oil. Could these acorns be the answer to fueling problems?

Once Nutasha arrived back to Ecomania, she went straight to her parents' laboratory to relate all her ideas and experiences to them. The Oakenwoods were perplexed by Nutasha's mysterious abilities (perhaps a side effect of being exposed to chemicals while her mother was pregnant), but they were very impressed by her idea. The

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three of them ran a few experiments and tests and were successfully able to convert the acorns Nutasha had collected into a fuel. That day, her parents gave her the nickname Fuelacorna for her ground-breaking idea.

The acorn-fueling process was simple. Fuelacorna would fly over an area holding a large fishing net. The acorns from the trees and on the ground would be magnetically attracted to her body and get caught in the net. Fuelacorna would then fly the acorns back to her eco-friendly factory off the coast of Greenland where, through squirrel power, the acorns would be transformed into fuel.

Fuelacorna returned to Planet Earth with her new acorn-fueling source, anxious to present her discovery to automobile and gas companies across the world. Car companies were anxious to test her product, and found that acorn-fueling performed even better than oil and yielded no harmful effects on the environment. While most gas companies were uninterested in alternative fueling, one company was very attracted to Fuelacorna's discovery and quickly offered her a contract. Soon, Fuelacorna stations started popping up worldwide, met with tremendous success. Since acorns were so abundant, acorn-fuel prices were inexpensive and attracted the vast majority of the Earth's citizens.

Over the next several years, pollution levels in the world decreased dramatically, the natural world was able to replenish and return to a more balanced state, and oil was no longer scarce and expensive. With the help of Fuelacorna, Planet Earth had achieved a balance between oil and acorn-fuel companies. Prices were down, the environmental state of the world was less problematic. Fuelacorna had helped solve the oil crisis and made the world a better, greener place.

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