



For Laura, the most wonderful friend
who faced the world so bravely.
— R.T.

To Fin and Aya.
Be bold, be brave, be kind.
— G.S.

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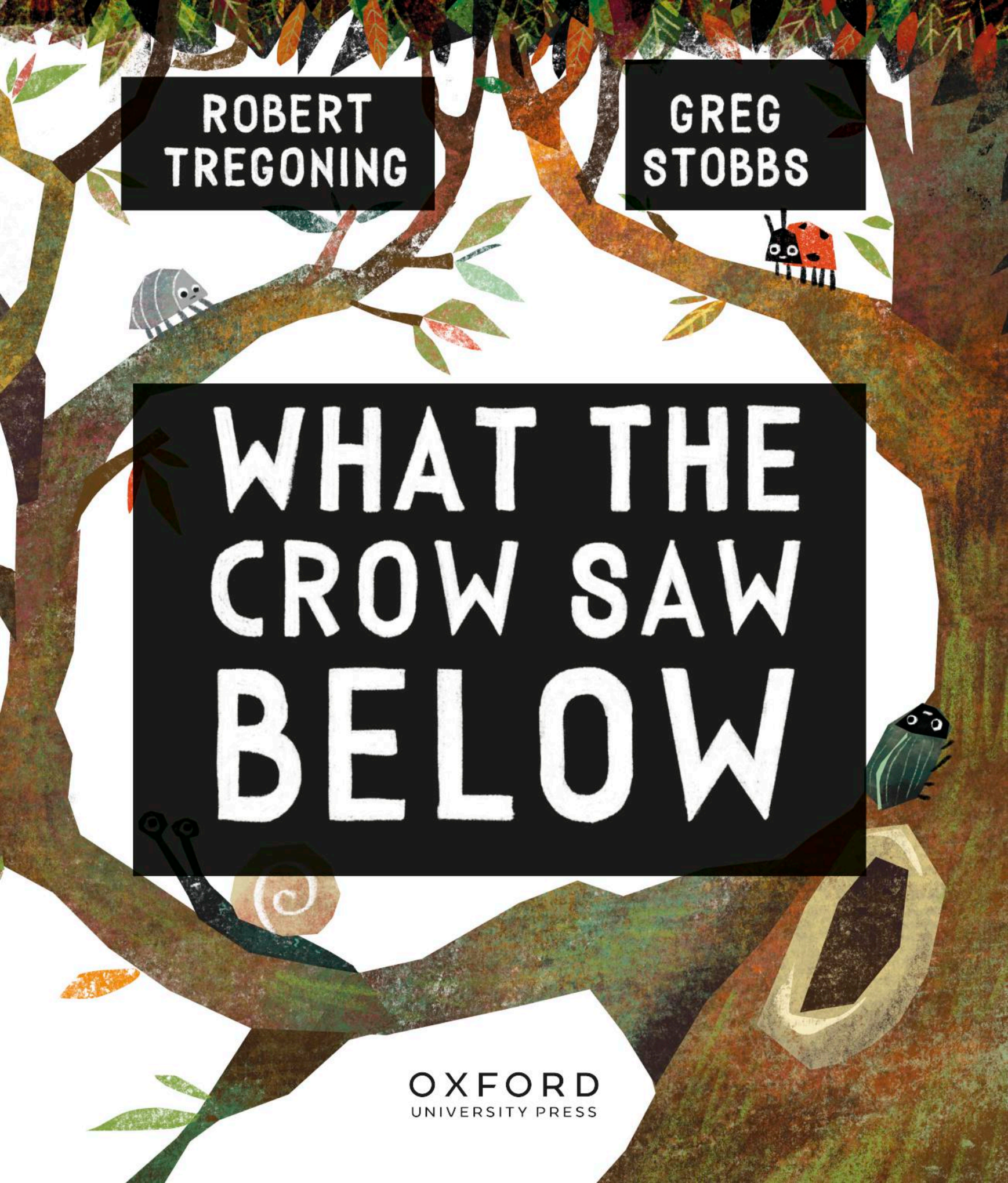
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The background of the book cover is a stylized illustration of a tree with thick, brown, textured branches. The leaves are in shades of green and brown, suggesting autumn. Several insects are depicted: a grey and white striped caterpillar on a branch on the left, a red ladybug with black spots on a branch on the right, and a green beetle with black spots on a branch at the bottom right. A small, light-colored, spiral-shaped object is also visible on a branch near the bottom left.

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WHAT THE CROW SAW BELOW

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On the tangled, twisted branches,
in a tangled, twisted wood,
stood a young crow, looking downward,
like her elders said she should.





She stood with all the other crows,
in silence, in a row.
Their heads all bowed
to look for any danger from below.



The young crow's questions wouldn't stay
unanswered any more.
She left the others napping
and went upwards to explore.
She bravely climbed the branches
with a shuffle and a shove,
then pushed her beak out through the leaves
and saw what was above.

