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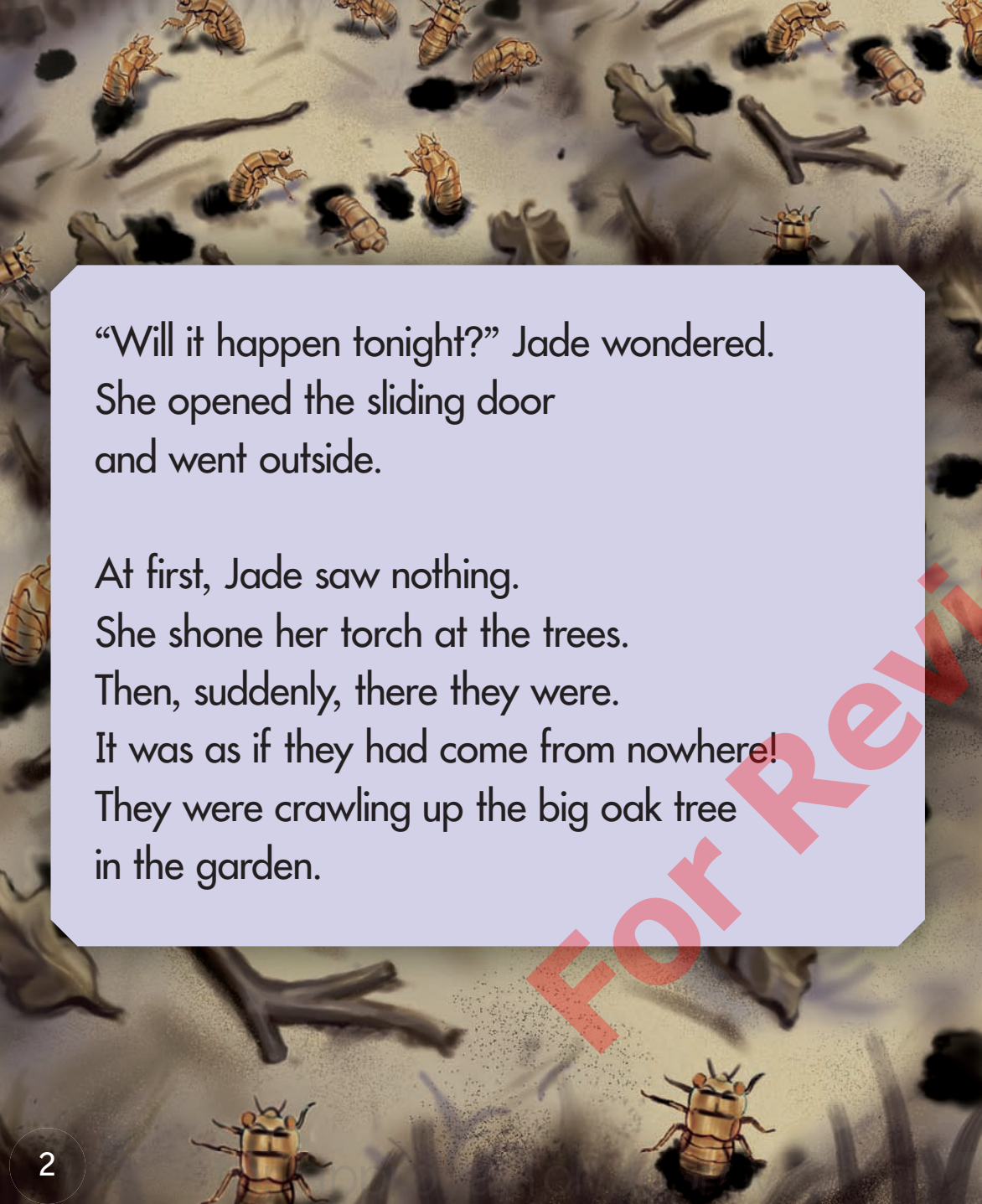
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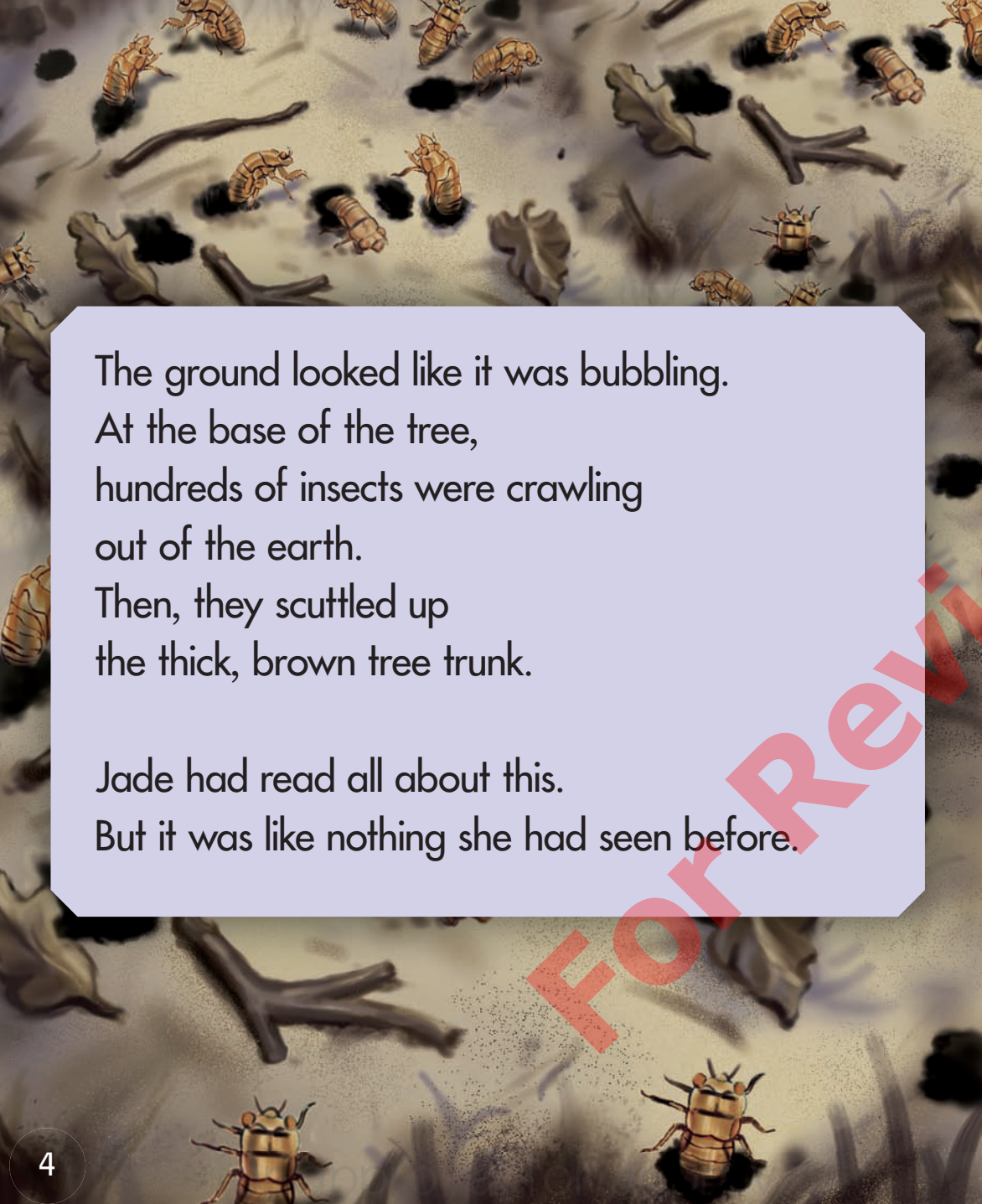
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“Will it happen tonight?” Jade wondered. She opened the sliding door and went outside.

At first, Jade saw nothing. She shone her torch at the trees. Then, suddenly, there they were. It was as if they had come from nowhere! They were crawling up the big oak tree in the garden.

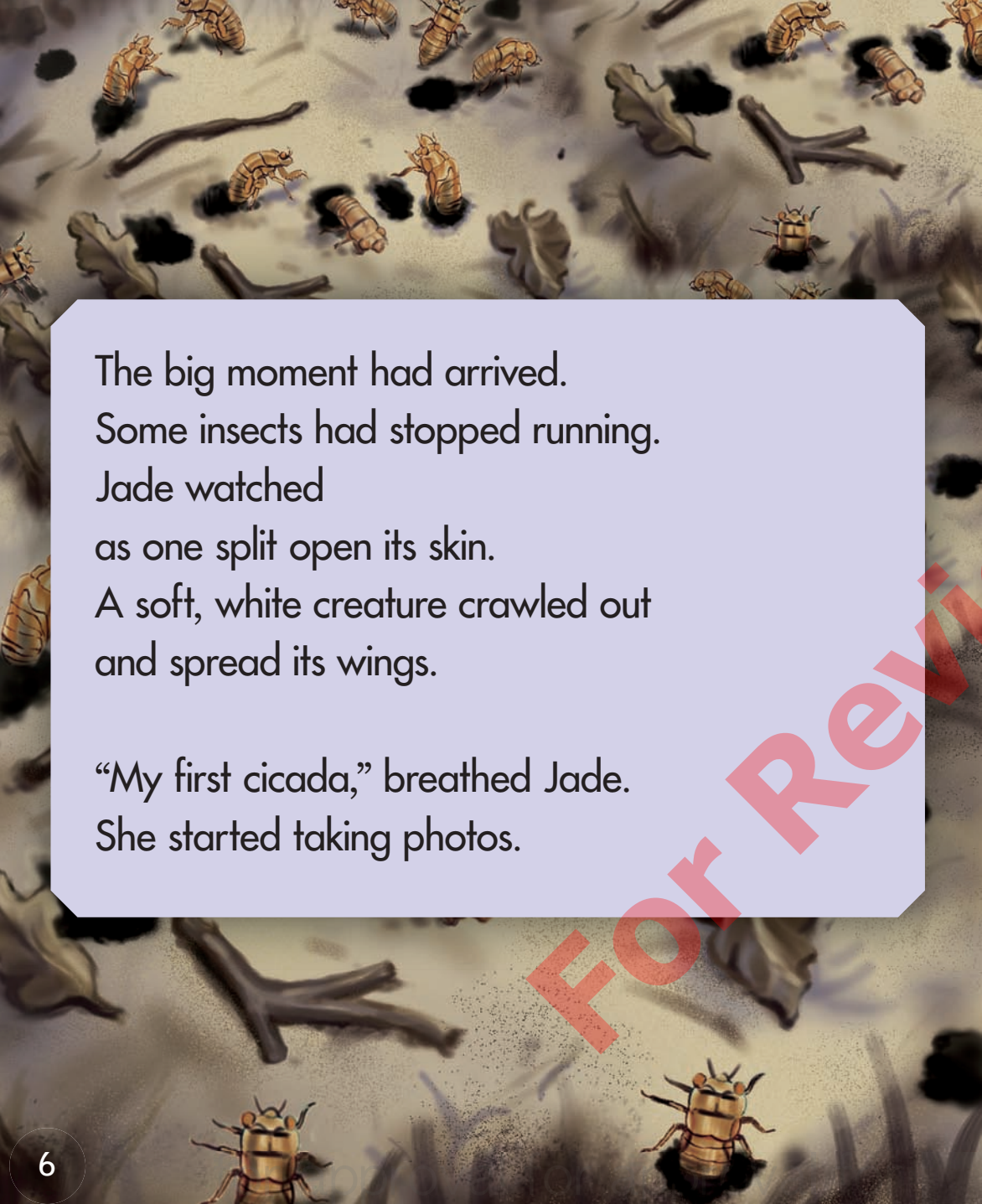




The ground looked like it was bubbling.  
At the base of the tree,  
hundreds of insects were crawling  
out of the earth.  
Then, they scuttled up  
the thick, brown tree trunk.

Jade had read all about this.  
But it was like nothing she had seen before.



An illustration of a sandy ground with several cicada nymphs. Some are crawling, while others are in the process of molting, with their skin split open. There are some twigs and small plants scattered around.

The big moment had arrived.  
Some insects had stopped running.  
Jade watched  
as one split open its skin.  
A soft, white creature crawled out  
and spread its wings.

“My first cicada,” breathed Jade.  
She started taking photos.

