

A large, stylized illustration of a tree with a thick brown trunk and many green leaves. Several yellow pears hang from the branches. A young girl with dark curly hair, wearing a blue shirt and overalls, is sitting on a thick branch. A small green and yellow striped caterpillar is on the branch near her. The background is white.

Oyisa loves fruit but she never knew seeds could be so magical! When a seed grows into a giant tree, she finds herself high above the ground. What surprises will she uncover?

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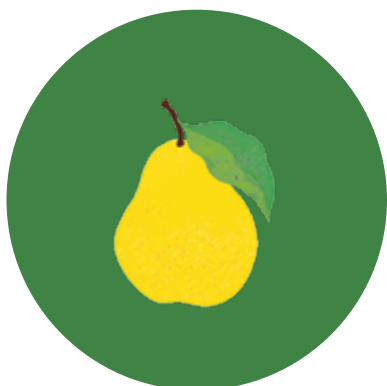
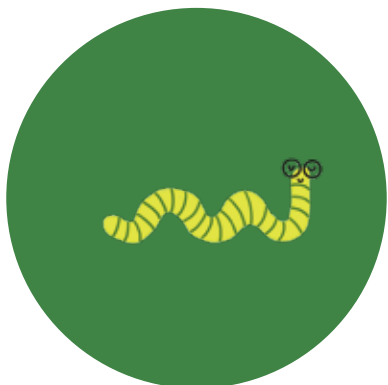
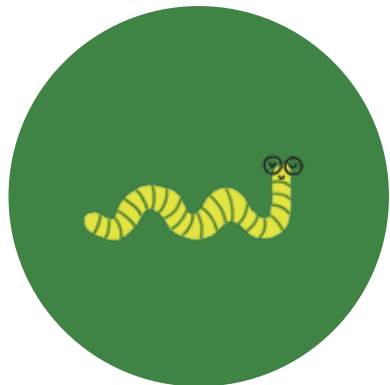
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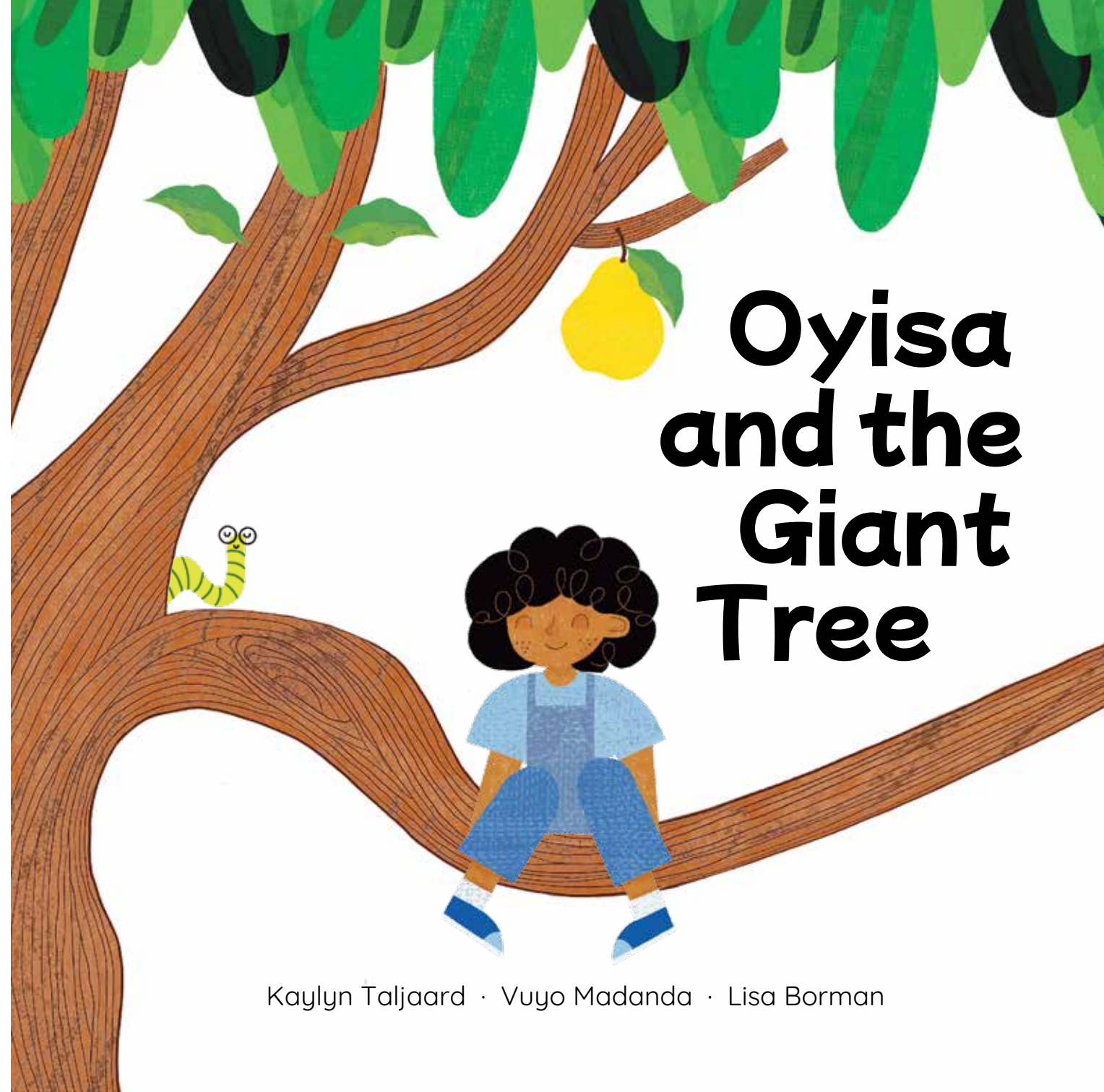
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Oyisa loves to eat all kinds of fruit. She eats pears, grapes, oranges, and watermelon.





She can eat a whole
lot of fruit in no time at all.

But she doesn't like the seeds.

They get stuck in her teeth
and taste bitter. Yuck!





Today, she's eating a delicious,
juicy pear. She spits the seeds
out on the ground.



A plant begins to grow
between her feet.

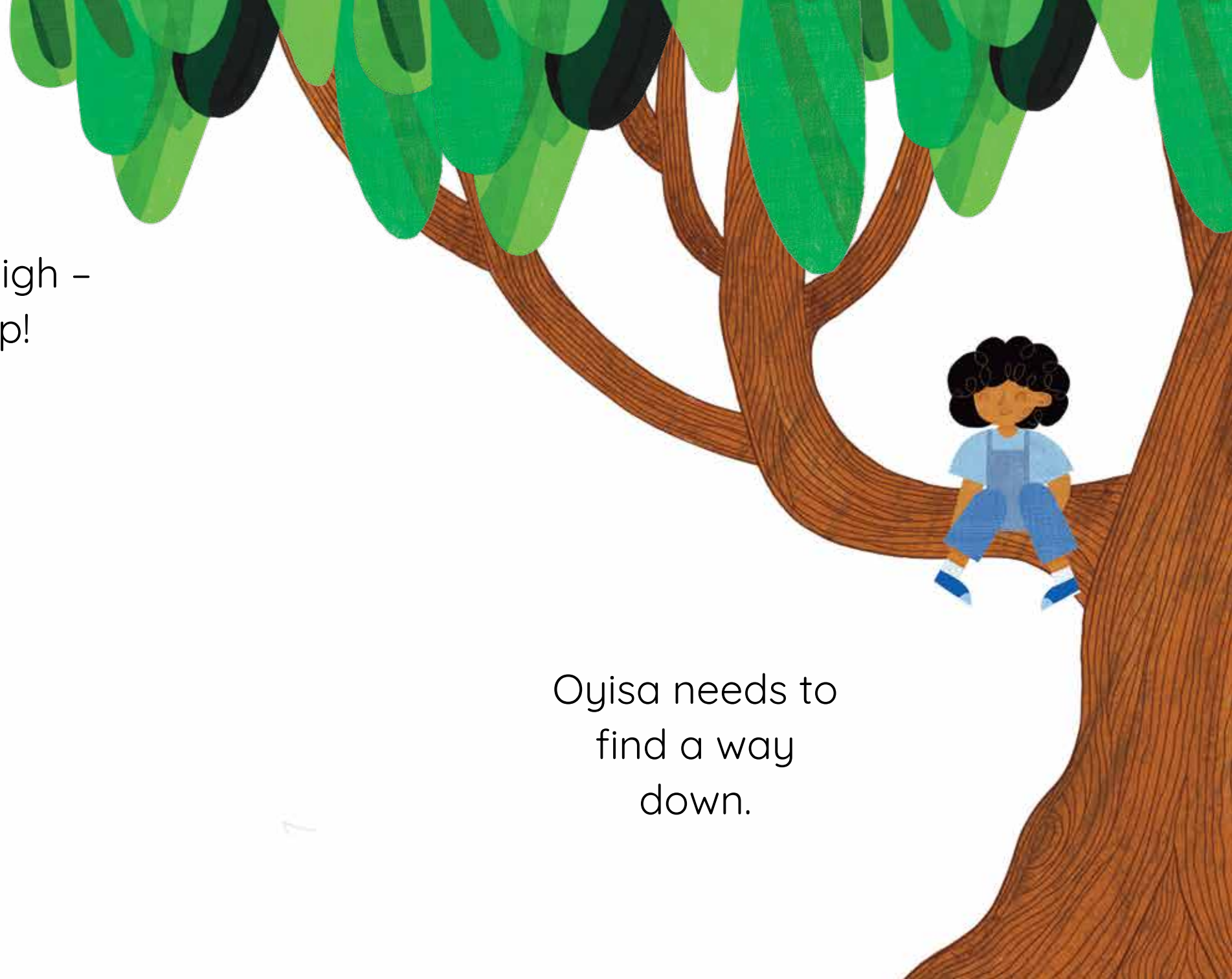
*That's strange, thinks Oyisa.
What's going on here?*

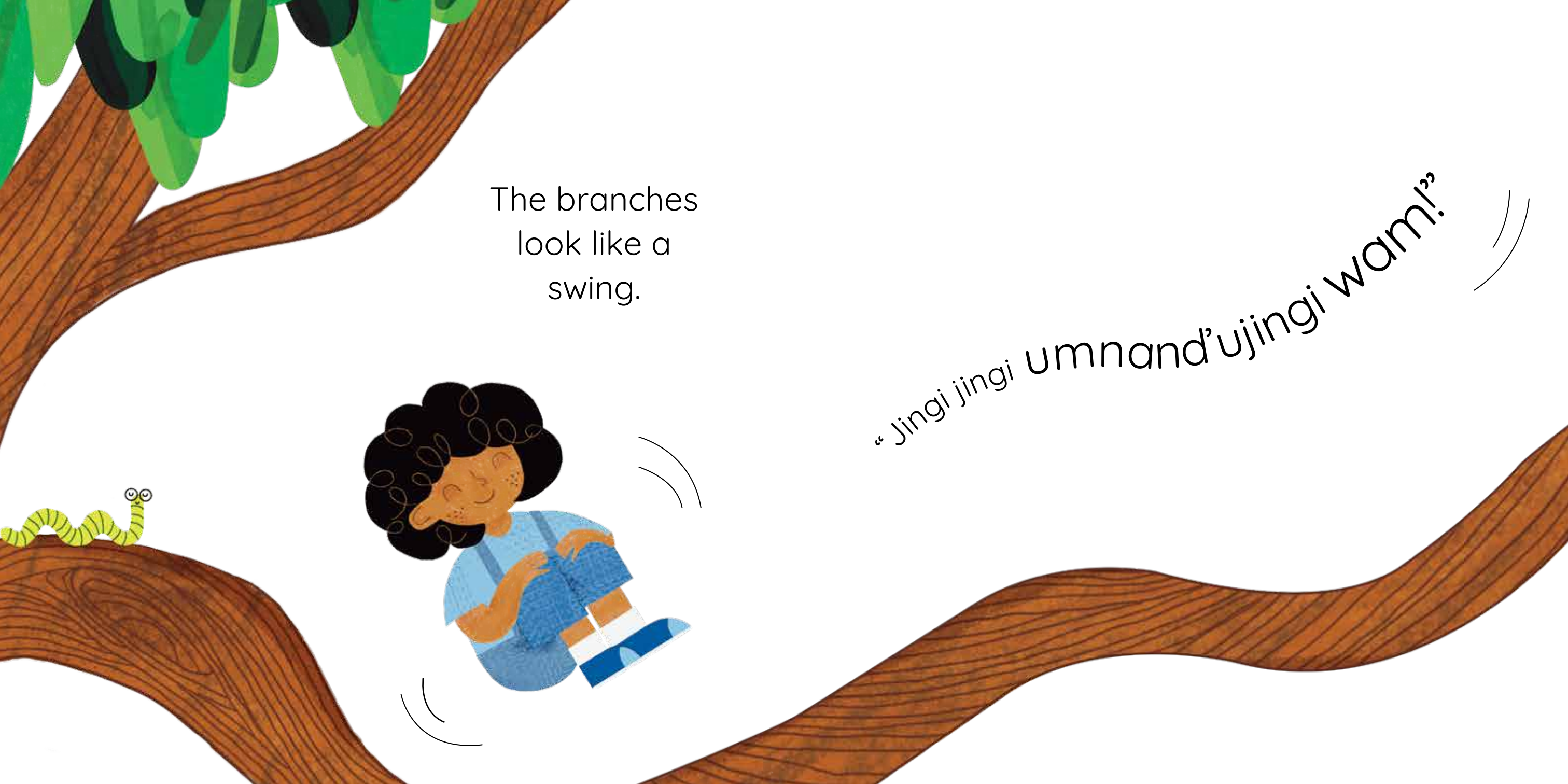


Suddenly, a tree shoots up high –
with Oyisa perched on top!



Oyisa needs to
find a way
down.



A child with dark curly hair, wearing a blue shirt and blue shorts, is swinging happily on a thick, curved brown tree branch. The child's eyes are closed in a smile, and their arms are crossed over their chest. To the left, a small yellow and green striped caterpillar with large eyes is crawling on another branch. The background is plain white. There are two sets of curved lines near the child, one above and one below, indicating movement or sound. The text 'The branches look like a swing.' is positioned above the child, and a larger quote '“Jingi jingi umnand’ujingi wam!”' is written diagonally across the right side of the image.

The branches
look like a
swing.

“Jingi jingi umnand’ujingi wam!”



She swiiiiinggs to the next branch
and meets a bird.

The bird wants to build a
cosy nest in her hair.



On her way
down,
she spies a giant pear
and climbs onto it.

This is the best
feeling in the world!





“Oyisaaaa! It’s time for
your bath,” Mama calls.

“I’m coming!”

shouts Oyisa from
the tree.

What an adventure!

Oyisa decides to start collecting seeds. Who knows what magic lies inside them?



