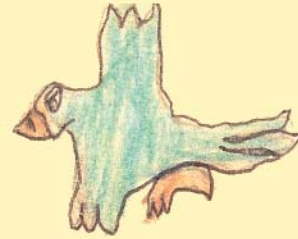
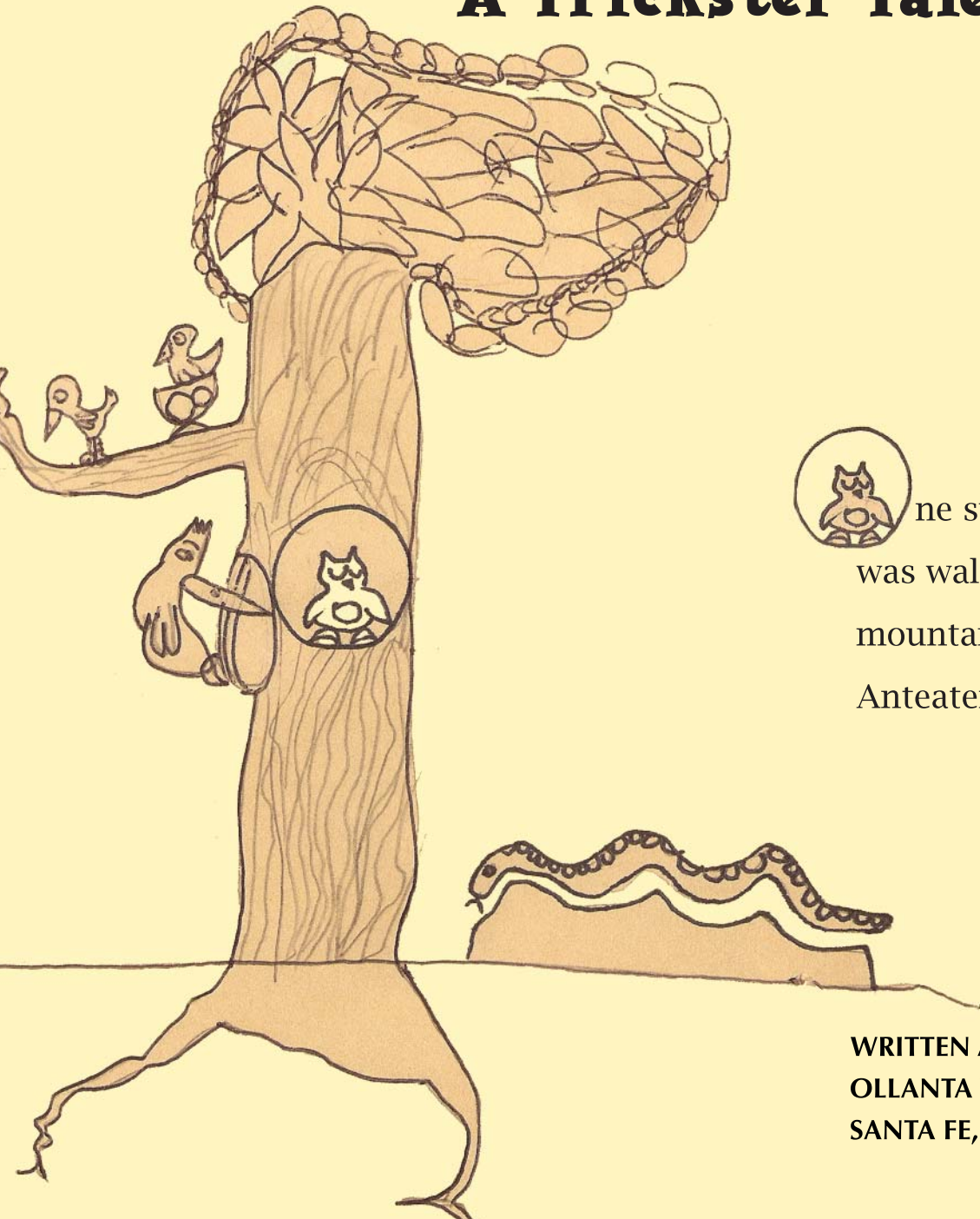


# Why Anteater Looks Before He Eats: A Trickster Tale

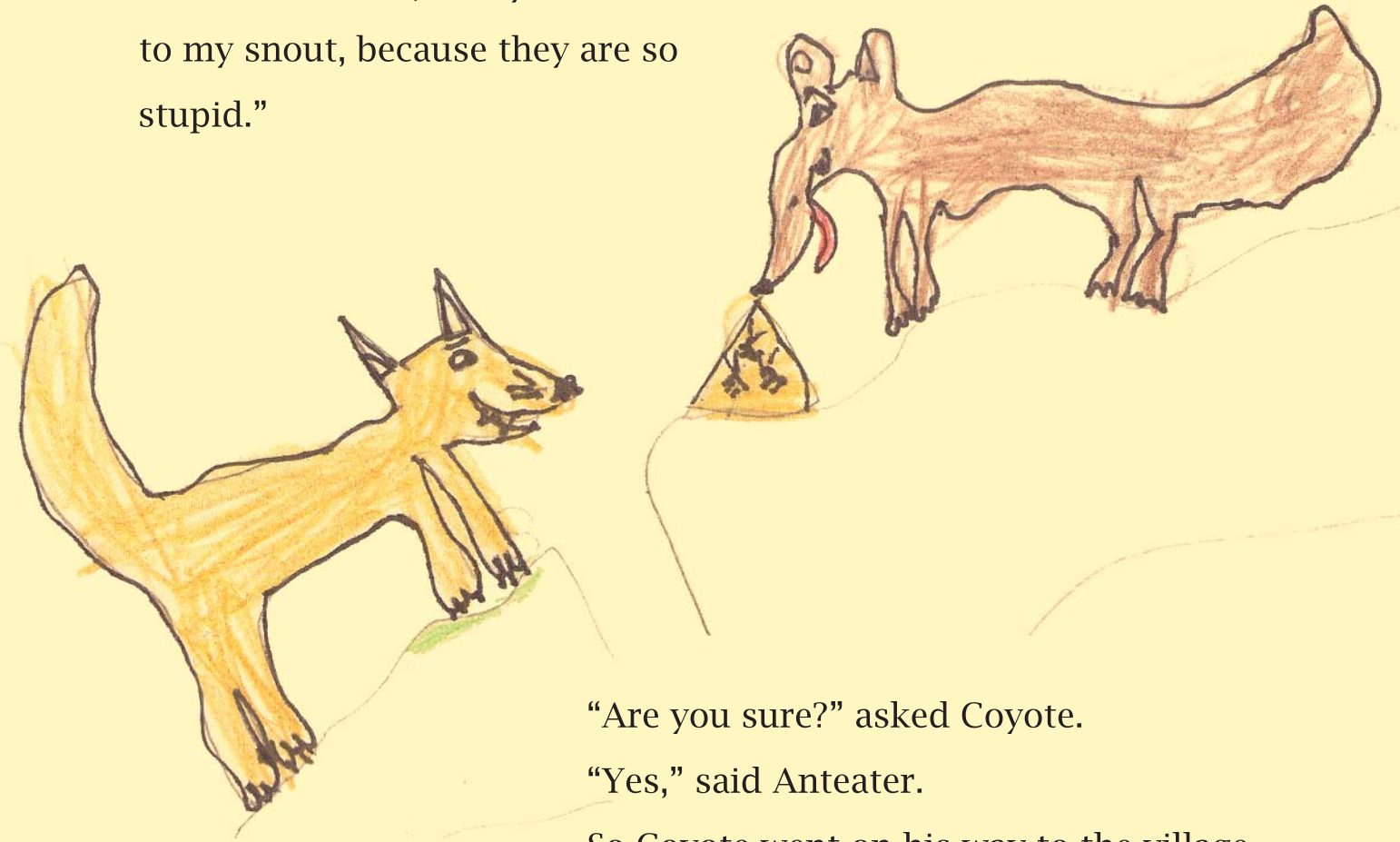


One sunny day Coyote was walking in the mountains when he saw Anteater.

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“Anteater”, said Coyote, “how do you catch ants so fast?”

Anteater said, “They come close to my snout, because they are so stupid.”



“Are you sure?” asked Coyote.

“Yes,” said Anteater.

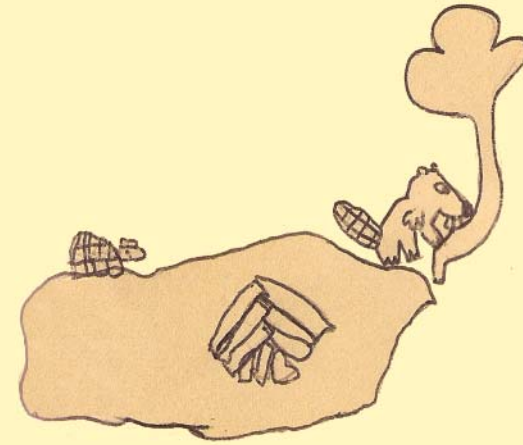
So Coyote went on his way to the village.

On the way he stopped at Old Beaver's house. Old Beaver said,  
"Coyote, what do you want?"



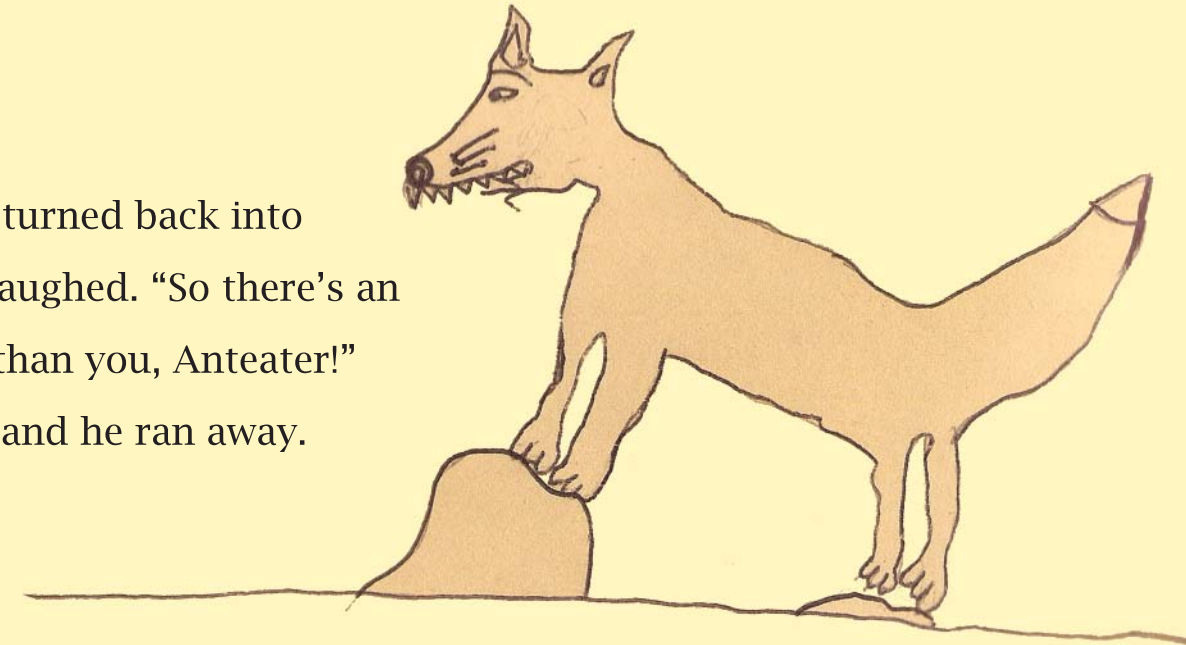
"I want to have a magic charm that can change me into an ant," Coyote said.

"Okay," answered Old Beaver, "but one thing - do not go close to his mouth!"



So Coyote went back to Anteater and grabbed the magic charm and turned into an ant. Anteater saw Coyote and tried to catch him, but Coyote did not go near his nose.

Suddenly he turned back into Coyote and laughed. "So there's an ant smarter than you, Anteater!" said Coyote, and he ran away.



**So that's why anteaters always look before they eat.**