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Opening extract from
The Crow's Tale

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In the dark depths of winter, far far away,
snow started falling at the cold break of day.



“A perilous journey will need to be done.
Our bravest and best must go to the Sun.
Without the Sun’s warmth we’ll have nothing to eat.
So – which one of you will ask for some heat?”



A watercolor illustration of a crow with multi-colored wings flying towards the sun in a blue sky. The crow's body is light blue and white, with a long, pointed beak. Its wings are spread wide, showing a variety of colors including red, orange, yellow, green, blue, and purple. The background is a bright blue sky with a small, glowing sun in the upper left corner. The overall style is soft and artistic, typical of children's book illustrations.

Up through the storm brave Crow quickly flew,
though the snow blurred his vision and the wind –
how it blew!
Closer and closer he came to the Sun,
but his troubles and trials had only begun.

Crow flew through the blizzard, then to his delight
he entered Sun's kingdom of dazzling bright light.