

Bookfolio for **The Wizard of Oz**

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Recommended for: [Grades 4-6](#)

Classification: Fiction

Genre: [Fantasy](#)

Story Summary: Dorothy and her dog Toto are set in the land of Oz by a cyclone. They travel to the land of Oz seeking help from the Wizard of Oz so that they can find a way home. Along the way, they are joined by the Scarecrow, the Tin Woodman, and the Lion. Together, they must use their wits, strength, and courage to reach Oz, who then sends them on a quest to kill the wicked Witch of the West before he will grant their petitions. When Dorothy does away with the witch, they return to the land of Oz only to discover that the Wizard is a fake. However, he does grant the wishes of the scarecrow, the Tin Woodman, and the Lion, but he fails Dorothy when his balloon leaves her behind. They set out again to the Witch of the South who tells Dorothy how to get home and sends each of the others to be kings in the lands through which they have traveled.

Read-aloud Recommendation: Chapter 3

The skills for each activity are identified by the following abbreviations:

R=Reading, W=Writing, S=Speaking, L=Listening, D=Drawing

The Wizard of Oz - Independent Activities	Skills
1. The Oz Books (Giving a book talk)	R , S
2. Follow the Yellow Brick Road (Making a map)	D
3. Call to Courage (Relating to a story theme)	S , W
4. Throwing the Sound (Writing a report)	R , S , W
5. Winged Adventures in Oz (Writing a story)	W
6. Cyclones (Writing a report)	R , S , W
The Wizard of Oz - Group Activities	Skills
1. Then and Now (Changing the setting)	D , S , W
2. Fantasy and Realism (Distinguishing fantasy from reality)	L , S
3. Heart or Brain? (Debating a topic)	L , S
4. Roving Reporter (Conducting an interview)	S
5. Oz's Landing (Writing a story)	S , W
6. "Let's Talk About..." (Discussing the story)	L , S

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