The Wizard of Oz

Before Reading

BEFORE READING ACTIVITIES (PAGE 44)

ACTIVITY 1  BEFORE READING
1 No  2 No  3 Yes  4 Yes  5 Yes  6 No  7 No

ACTIVITY 2  BEFORE READING
Do not give the correct answers, but encourage students to guess. They will find out as they read the story that the ‘yes’ answers are numbers 2, 3 and 5.

While Reading

CHAPTER 1  WHILE READING
Dorothy lived in Kansas with her aunt and uncle. Sometimes there was bad weather called a cyclone. When a cyclone came, people stayed in rooms under their houses. One day a cyclone came and blew Dorothy and Toto and the house into the sky. They went to sleep and when they opened their eyes, they were in Oz. The house fell on the Witch of the East and killed her, so the people were very happy. Dorothy took the Witch’s red shoes. She wanted to go home, and the good Witch said: ‘You must ask the Wizard of Oz for help. Follow the yellow brick road to the Emerald City.’

CHAPTER 2  WHILE READING
1 The Scarecrow
2 The Scarecrow
3 The Tin Man
4 The Scarecrow
5 The Tin Man
6 The Cowardly Lion
7 The Tin Man
8 The Cowardly Lion
9 The Tin Man
10 The Cowardly Lion

BEFORE READING CHAPTER 3
Do not give the answers to the pre-reading questions now but let the students guess. They can check their answers when they read the chapter. The correct answers are 1c, 2c and 3a.

CHAPTER 3  WHILE READING
1 Glasses.
2 A big head with no body.
3 A beautiful woman, a big animal with two heads, a ball of fire.

CHAPTER 4  WHILE READING
1 Who . . .? The Witch of the West.
2 How . . .? Forty.
3 What . . .? The Tin Man’s arms and legs.
4 What . . .? They took all the straw out of him and threw his clothes up into a tall tree.
5 Where . . .? To a dark cellar under the Witch’s house.
6 Why . . .? Because of the good Witch’s kiss.
7 Why . . .? Because they were magic.
8 How . . .? Dorothy threw a bucket of water at her.
9 What . . .? The Witch’s black hat.
10 How . . .? The Monkeys carried them up into the sky.

CHAPTER 5  WHILE READING
1 F The Wizard was afraid of the Magic Monkeys (the two bad Witches).
2 F The Wizard of Oz was an old man with no hair.
3 F The Wizard didn’t know any true magic (knew a lot of tricks).
4 T
5 F The Emerald City looked (wasn’t) green.
6 T
7 T

BEFORE READING CHAPTER 6
Encourage students to speculate and to make guesses but do not tell them the answers. They will find out as they read that the ‘yes’ answers are 1, 3 and 4.

After Reading

ACTIVITY 1  AFTER READING
3 AUNT EM: What happened to you, Dorothy? Where were you?
6 DOROTHY: I was in Oz.
1 AUNT EM: Oz? Where’s that? Is it in Kansas?
7 DOROTHY: No, it’s a magic country, a long way from here.
2 AUNT EM: A magic country? Are you feeling all right?
5 DOROTHY: I’m OK, really I am. I made some wonderful new friends in Oz. They helped me a lot.
10 AUNT EM: That’s nice. Where are your friends now? Did they bring you home?
8 DOROTHY: No, they couldn’t come with me. My magic shoes carried me.
4 AUNT EM: Magic shoes? But you aren’t wearing any shoes!
9 DOROTHY: Oh! How strange. Perhaps they fell off.
Activity 2  After reading

1. CELLAR
2. MONKEYS
3. SCREEN
4. TRICKS
5. BALLOON
6. YELLOW
7. WIZARD

Activity 3  After reading

‘Dorothy met a scarecrow made of straw. He couldn’t eat or drink but he could talk. He had no brains, so he couldn’t think. Then she met a man made of tin. He couldn’t move because he went out in the rain. So Dorothy got an oil-can (some oil) and helped him. But he wasn’t happy because he had no heart. Then she met a lion. He wasn’t very brave, and never hurt people. They went to see the Wizard of Oz together. When they came to a very big river, the Tin Man cut down a tree with his axe and they all walked across it.’

Activity 4  After reading

The picture goes on page 28.
1. Dorothy, because she needed it to call the Magic Monkeys.
2. The Cowardly Lion.
3. They are going to find the Scarecrow’s clothes and put some new straw in them. Then they are going to mend the Tin Man.
Possible captions:
• ‘Free at last!’
• ‘They broke open the dark cellar and the Cowardly Lion came out.’

Activity 5  After reading

1. He thought of cutting down a tree to cross the river.
2. He didn’t want to hurt animals, because he felt sorry for them.
3. He was afraid of falling, but he jumped across a river.
   The Lion was brave, the Scarecrow was clever, and the Tin Man had a heart.

Activity 6  After reading

Open answers.

Activity 7  After reading

Open answers.