



# The Wonderful Wizard of Oz

by L. Frank Baum

L. Frank Baum's enchanting fantasy follows Dorothy and her companions on a journey through a magical land, blending adventure, imagination, and the enduring message that there is no place like home.

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## Power Words

#	WORD	DEFINITION
1	<b>astonished</b>	adj. very surprised or amazed by something.   "The Scarecrow was utterly astonished to discover that he had been thinking clever thoughts all along."
1	<b>bewildering</b>	adj. causing confusion or puzzlement.   "The bewildering array of yellow roads confused Dorothy, who feared she might never find the right one."
1	<b>captivate</b>	v. to attract and hold someone's attention.   "The Wizard's booming voice and billowing smoke never failed to captivate every visitor to his throne room."
1	<b>disheartened</b>	v. to depress or destroy the hope or confidence of; discourage; dispirit.   "The Tin Woodman grew disheartened whenever he recalled how he had once been capable of love."
1	<b>earnestly</b>	adv. in a serious and sincere way.   "The Scarecrow earnestly assured his companions that a brain was all he needed to solve any problem."
1	<b>enchanted</b>	adj. under a spell or magical influence.   "Dorothy walked through the enchanted forest, where the trees seemed to whisper warnings at every step."
1	<b>luminous</b>	adj. giving off or reflecting light. it can describe something that shines or glows.   "The Emerald City gleamed in a luminous green glow that could be seen from miles across the plain."
1	<b>mercilessly</b>	adv. in a way that shows no mercy or kindness.   "The Wicked Witch mercilessly commanded her soldiers to seize Dorothy before she reached the city gates."
1	<b>obediently</b>	adj. obeying or willing to obey; complying with or submissive to authority   "The Winged Monkeys obediently descended upon Dorothy's companions, carrying out the Witch's cruel command."
1	<b>perilous</b>	adj. full of danger or risk.   "The perilous journey across the field of enchanted poppies nearly cost Dorothy and her friends everything."
1	<b>persevere</b>	v. to keep trying despite difficulties or failure.   "Despite every obstacle, Dorothy chose to persevere, keeping her eyes fixed on the glittering city ahead."
1	<b>radiant</b>	adj. shining brightly or emitting light.   "Glinda appeared radiant and serene, her silver wand catching the light as she smiled down at Dorothy."
1	<b>reluctantly</b>	adv. in an unwilling or hesitant manner.   "The Cowardly Lion reluctantly entered the dark forest, trembling at every rustle among the shadowed trees."
1	<b>terrifying</b>	adj. causing great fear or dread.   "The terrifying shriek of the Wicked Witch echoed across the poppy field, scattering the crows."
1	<b>vanquish</b>	v. to defeat someone completely in battle or competition.   "Dorothy did not set out to vanquish the Wicked Witch; she only wanted to find her way home."