

Reading Project

Perfect for over the Christmas, Easter or summer breaks

+ **FREE** The Wonderful Wizard of Oz Mini Comprehensions Year 6

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Aren't books wonderful? No? Well if that's the case - you must be reading the wrong kinds of books. I know what you did: you went for **the book with the most pictures** or **the one with the cover that was so shiny you needed to wear sunglasses every time you looked at it.**



This is a trick!

It is a trick that some publishers use to persuade you to buy a book that you otherwise might have just ignored - and to be fair - it worked - because even if **you** were strong enough to resist the free stickers or inflatable bicycle - there are loads of children who could not.

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The Wonderful Wizard of Oz 1

Dorothy lived in the midst of the great Kansas prairies, with Uncle Henry, who was a farmer, and Auntie Em, who was the farmer's wife. Their house was small, for the farmer to build it had to be carried by wagon many miles. There were four walls, a floor and a roof, which made one room; and this room contained a rusty-looking cookstove, a cupboard for the dishes, a table, three or four chairs, and the bed. Uncle Henry and Auntie Em had a big bed in one corner, and Dorothy a little bed in another corner. There was no grass at all, and no color except a small hole, dug in the ground, called a cyclone cellar, where the family could go in case one of those great whirlwinds arose, mighty enough to crush any building in its path. It was reached by a trapdoor in the middle of the floor, from which a ladder led down into the earth, dark hole.

From The Wonderful Wizard of Oz by L. Frank Baum

1. Find a **word** which means the same as "twice". (1)
2. What impression do you get of the house? (1)
3. What evidence in the text is there that they often have cyclones? (1)
4. What evidence in the text suggests the house was in the middle of nowhere? (1)

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Encourages the children to find a good book and gives them advice about how exactly to choose one.

Children prepare what they will say to the class about a book that they are recommending.

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