



Narration - “When the Wind Blows”

The Wonderful Wizard of Oz, by L. Frank Baum, was published in 1900. This adaptation, *Yellow Brick Road*, was written for the summer 2010 performances of the Ocean Grove Children's Show.

The scene opens on a farm in Kansas. Working in the hot, dry fields, Uncle Henry, Aunt Em, and the farm workers are hoping for rain. Aunt Em says, “Maybe the sun will shine on the sea, lifting some of that water into the clouds, so the wind can bring it to us.” But Dorothy has never seen the sea, and, though she wonders about it, her thoughts quickly turn to what she knows and loves—the wind! Alone in the fields with Toto (who just wants to play with a stick), Dorothy sings of being carried by the wind to places her heart hasn’t yet understood—places she hears calling out to her.