



## **The Wizard of Oz** **Writing Activities**

1. *Just suppose ...* the Wicked Witch of the West had been able to get the ruby red slippers before Glinda placed them on Dorothy's feet. What do you think would have happened to Dorothy? Would she have been able to return to Kansas? Would she have met the characters in Oz? What would Glinda have done at that moment? How would her life have been different, or would it have been?
  - Write your version of the outcome of the story with this little twist of fate. Be specific and include some interesting and exciting details.
2. *Flashback:* Has there ever been a time in your life when your parents, friends, or teachers let you solve a problem you thought was impossible? How did you feel? Were you frustrated that they did not help you? Were you afraid that you would not find an answer? Did you, like Dorothy, find the solution was easier than you imagined? Did you learn something about yourself?
  - Write about this experience. Tell how you felt at first, and how you were able to find a solution for this situation.
3. Dorothy was very fortunate to meet so many unusual and colorful personalities in Oz who gave her support and friendship during her quest to find the Wizard. Describe your favorite character in detail. Explain why you selected this particular character, and what advice would you have given Dorothy when she met him/her.