

Wizard of Oz



36 activities

**chapter
questions**





These novel units are something I created and started using in my classroom. I had students with significant challenges and most were **non-readers**. They were the best thing I ever did, and my students LOVED them.

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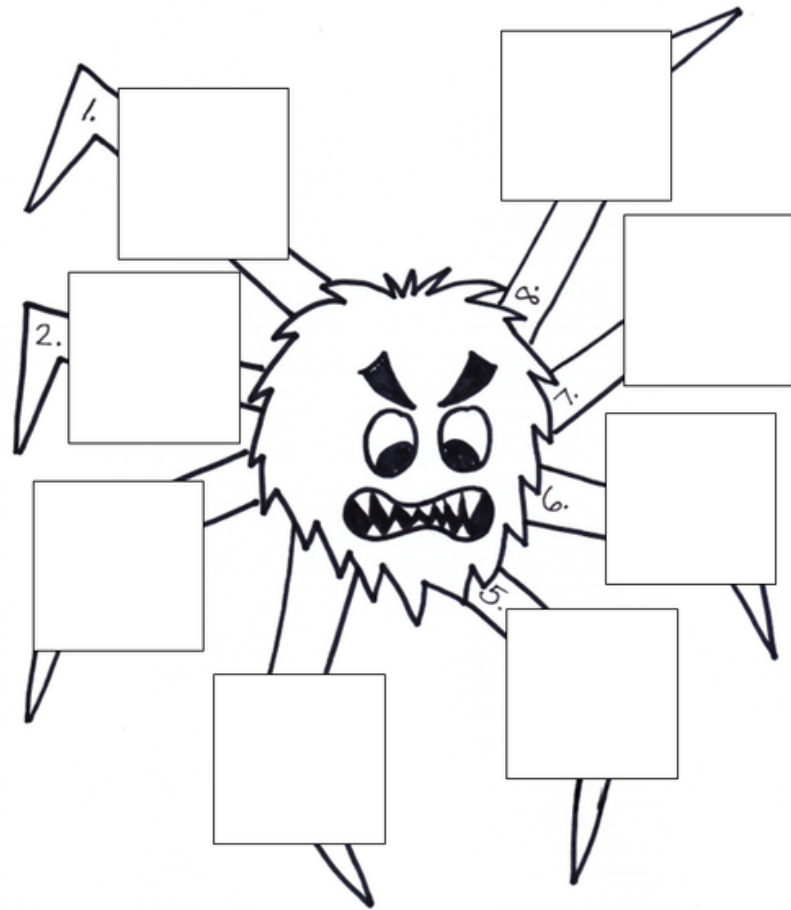
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This novel unit has **36** different activities. These activities are NOT comprehension-based. So, even if your students do not pay attention, they can still complete the activity.

The lion was very brave fighting the spider. Below is a picture of a spider. On each leg, write something you have done that is brave.



Courage pictures for version 2. Students can choose from the below or use to brainstorm their own ideas.



For example, in this activity, the students will share how they have been brave. They can write their own answers or choose from the pictures provided.

Suggestions for Use

- I made this unit to go along with the book, *The Wizard of Oz* by L. Frank Baum.
- The thought is that you would be reading it aloud to your class at a rate of about 1 chapter per day.
- Be sure to give each student their own copy of the story board (pg. 6) to use while reading and discussing the story.
- Benefits of reading out loud, even to classes made up of severely affected students:
 - Teaches students to sit quietly even when there isn't something for them to do. This is such an important life skill. We all have to spend time sitting and listening to someone we are not that interested in at some point.
 - Parents will LOVE you. Not only will they be excited their child is being exposed to age appropriate material, but you are teaching them how to sit quietly, which will hopefully transfer to home as well.
 - Even with your lowest level learners, you will have 1 or 2 that will truly enjoy the story.
- It can be a calming experience to sit and listen to the teacher read in a methodical way. For students who need more structure, place the number of post-it notes in front of him/her that corresponds to the number of pages you intend to read. Remove a post-it as you finish each page. The visual will help lessen their anxiety.
- You will find activity for most chapters. You will still have plenty to choose from and find those that fit best with your students.
- Differentiation:
 - For any activity, you can quickly differentiate for your lower level learners by using a color coding technique.
 - If sorting, outline each sorting category a certain color and then outline the corresponding pictures the same color.
 - Becomes a matching task.
- There are comprehension questions to accompany this unit. There are 5 questions for every chapter with 3 picture answer choices. You will find these (in color and BW) in a separate file.

Suggestions on how I found this activity worked best in my classroom are provided. I typically had 6-8 students with one adult assistant in the room with me.

The Wizard of Oz Novel Unit for Special Education

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*This entire novel unit
comes in 2 separate files.
One is completely in color
and one is completely in
black and white.*



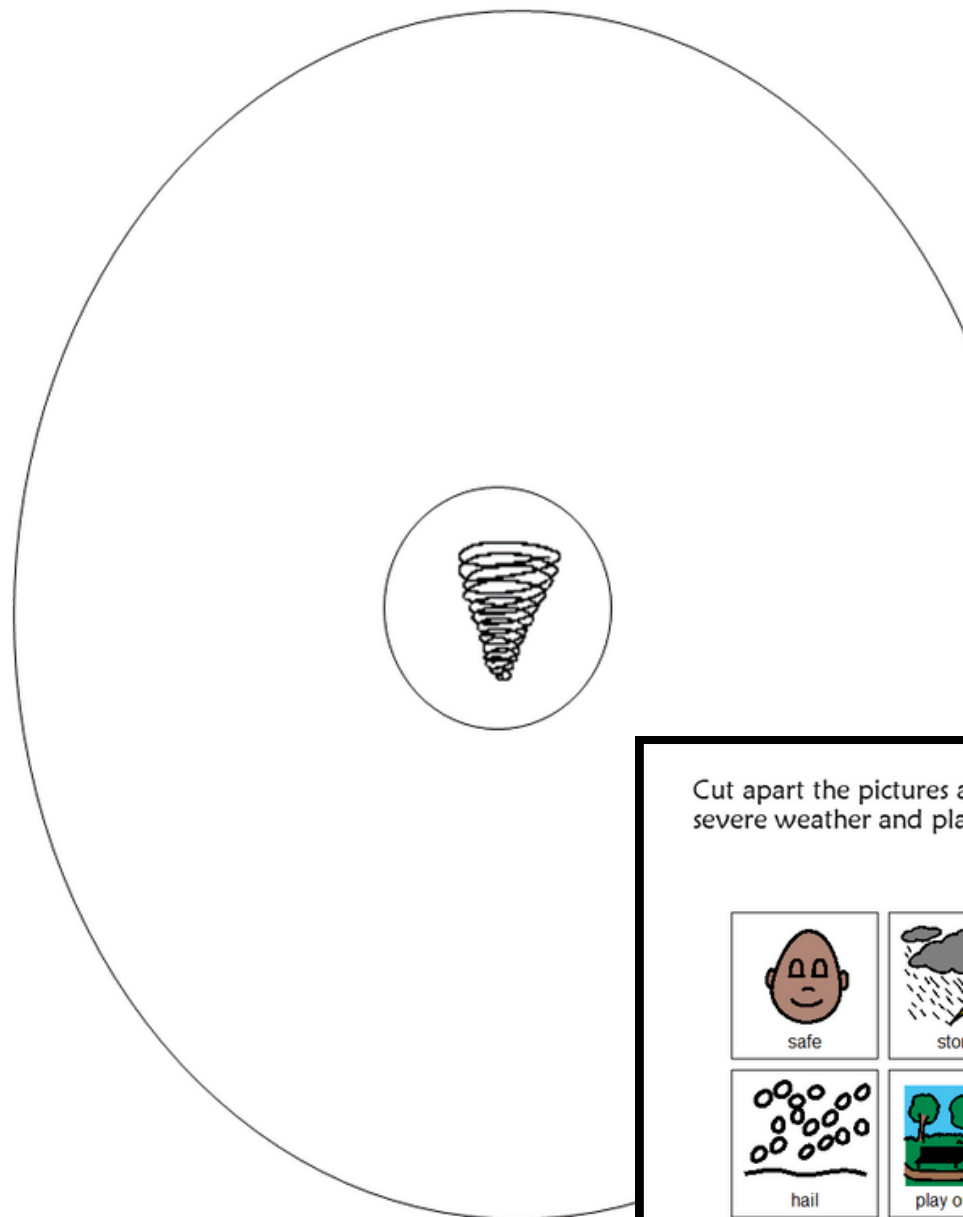
Story Board : to use while reading and for class discussions. Laminate and make 1 copy for each student.

This unit comes with a vocabulary board.

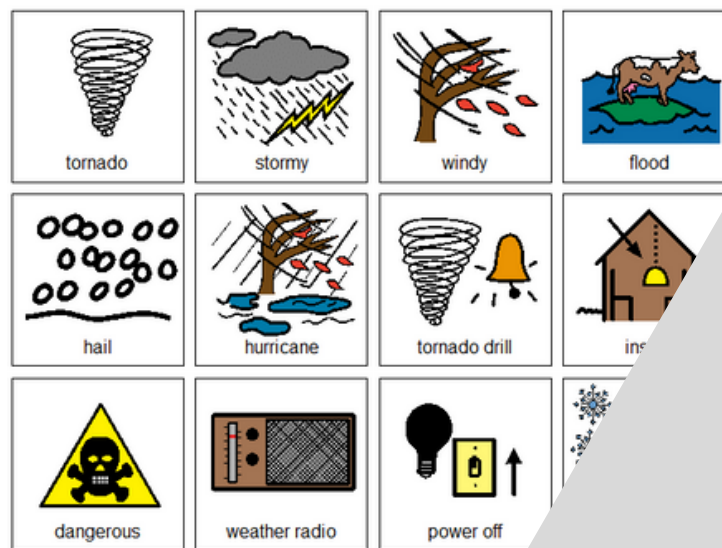
Vocabulary boards are great for ALL students to assist with participation and engagement in group discussions.

Tips on how to use in the unit!!

Complete the circle map with facts about severe weather.

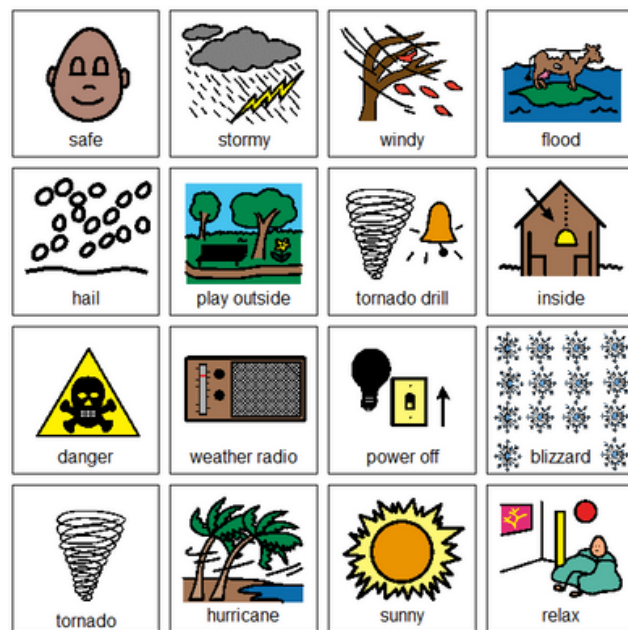


Severe weather circle map: Cut apart the pictures about severe weather and place in map on previous page.



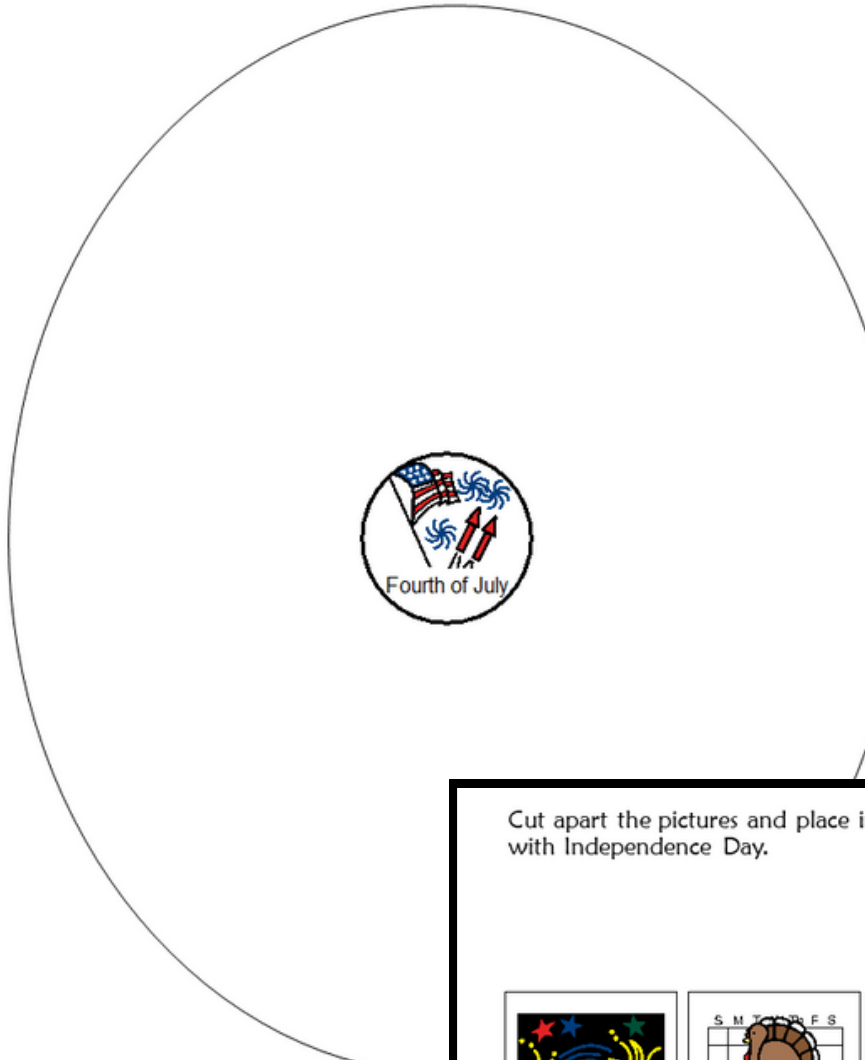
There are circle maps in this unit.

Cut apart the pictures about **ONLY IF** they are true about severe weather and place in circle on previous page.



Circle maps are a great way for students to see the big idea.

The Winkies celebrated their freedom. Here in the United States we celebrate our freedom on July 4th.



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4th of July circle map: Cut apart the pictures about our Independence Day and place in circle map on previous page.



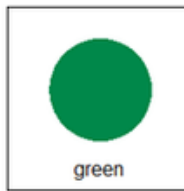
Cut apart the pictures and place in circle map **ONLY IF** they deal with Independence Day.



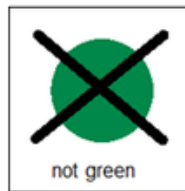
Each circle map comes with 2 choices:

An errorless option with only correct answers

An option that has wrong answers mixed in students will need to set aside.























Things that can be green



Things that are never green

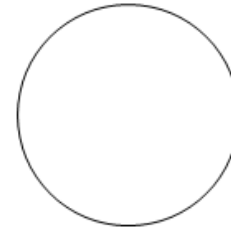
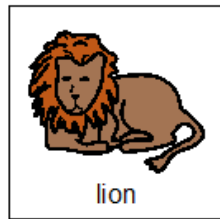
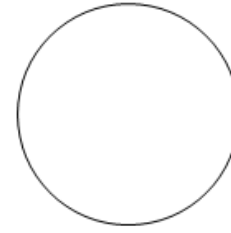
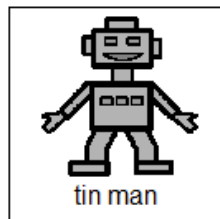
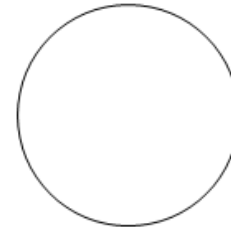
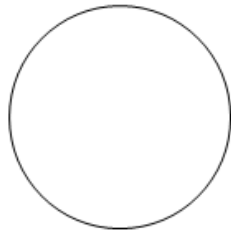
Sort the pictures into the correct column. If you are not sure, place it on the middle line.

 cat	 caterpillar	 green beans	 elephant	 grass
 grapes	 hot dog	 leaf	 orange	 snowflake
 pearl	 snake	 lettuce	 parrot	 bat
 cucumber	 panda	 sun	 Santa Claus	 grasshopper

There are sorting activities.

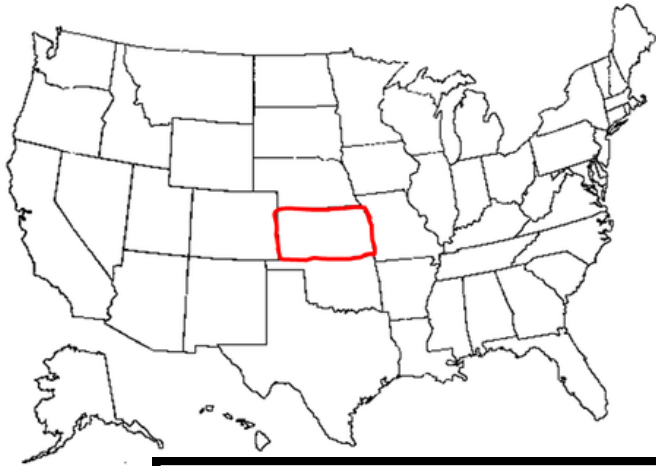
Directions on how to add differentiation are included.

The Great Oz appeared to each character in a different form. Match the image of Oz each character saw.



There are matching activities. Directions on how to add differentiation are included.

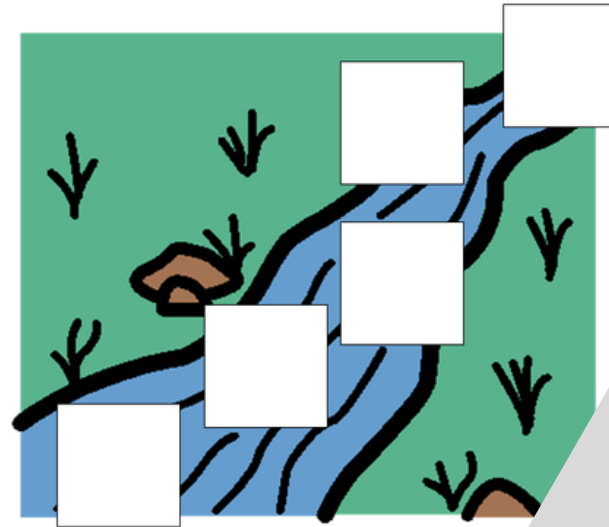
Dorothy and Toto live in Kansas. Color in Kansas on the map of the United States below.



Label parts of the scarecrow (for those too old or don't like crafts)



Dorothy and her friends cross the river. What are some ways you could cross a river?

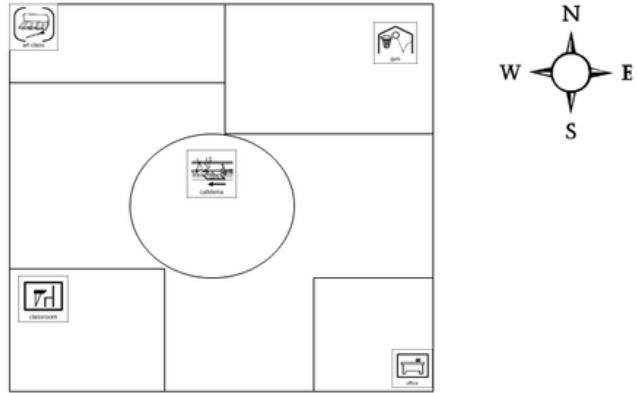


Help Dorothy and her friends find the wicked witch and get through the maze. Watch out for dangers along the way!



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The art class is of the classroom.
The office is of the classroom.
The classroom is of the cafeteria.
The office is of the gym.

N S E W

Because there are so many activities, you can choose the ones that fit your students the best.

1. Where does Dorothy live?



2. Who makes Dorothy laugh?



3. What color is everything around Dorothy?



4. What happened to the house?



5. What made the house spin and fly away?



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1. What does it look like where the house ends up?



2. Who greets Dorothy?



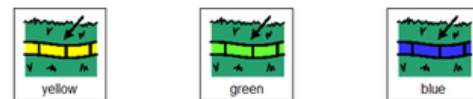
3. Who did the house fall on and kill?



4. Who is Dorothy going to see?



5. What color is the road Dorothy will travel on?



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Answer key included!!