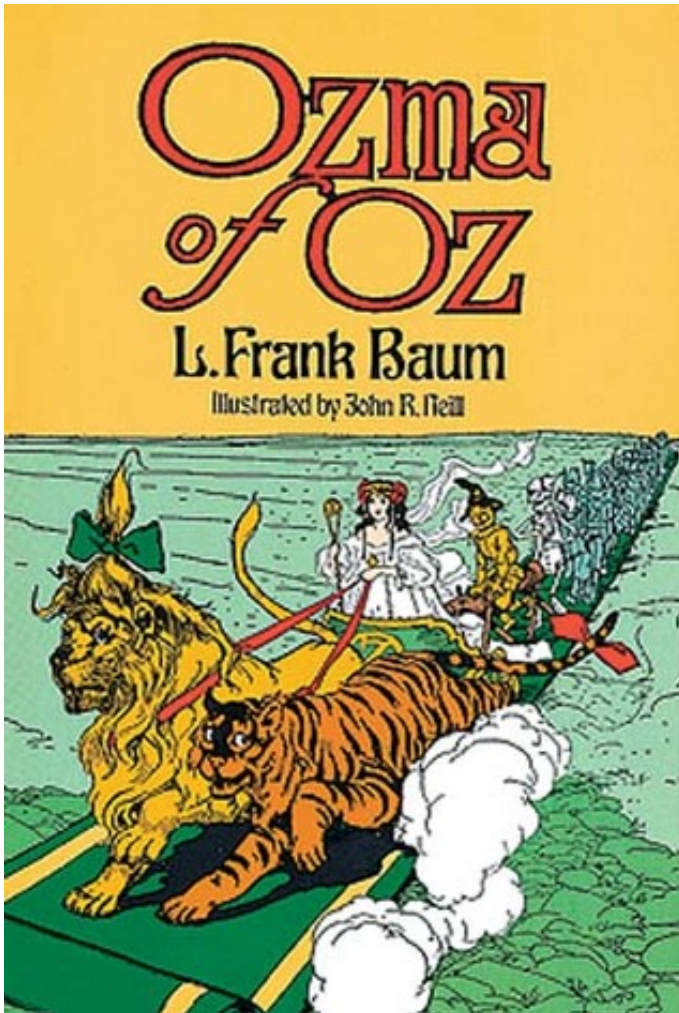

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Description

A raging sea storm carries Dorothy Gale (charming heroine of *The Wonderful Wizard of Oz*) to the fairy land of Ev, where an exciting new adventure awaits her and all young readers who venture into this enchanting realm of fantasy.

Dorothy meets some new friends — Billina, a friendly talking hen; Tiktok, a remarkable Copper Man; the lovely Princess Ozma of Oz; and some strange characters too — Wheelers, with wheels for hands and feet; and Princess Langwidere who wears a different head each day. When Dorothy learns that the Queen of Ev and her ten children are prisoners of the wicked Nome King, she sets out on a magic carpet with her new friends and some old favorites — Scarecrow, Cowardly Lion, and Tin Woodman — to rescue them.

The danger mounts as Princess Ozma herself falls victim to the Nome King's magic and is transformed into an emerald grasshopper. Youngsters will be swept up in the action as Dorothy and her entourage match wits with the Nome King and his devilish Nomes in a forbidding underground fortress.

Ozma of Oz will delight children of all ages from the very first chapter in which Dorothy battles the sea, to its surprising conclusion, when she struggles to free the royal family and her friends. The original text is reprinted here in its entirety from the first 1907 edition, with John R. Neill's amusing and imaginative illustrations that capture the flavor of this wonderful, witty tale.

Insightful reviews

Fantasy Literature: *Ozma of Oz* is the third book in L. Frank Baum's OZ series. We all know what happened in the first book, *The Wonderful Wizard of Oz*. In the second book, *The Marvelous Land of Oz*, a boy named Tip accompanied several strange characters on a quest to help restore Princess Ozma to the throne of Oz. Dorothy, who was back in Kansas, didn't appear in *The Marvelous Land of Oz*.

Ozma of Oz begins as Dorothy Gale (we didn't know her last name until now) is with Uncle Henry on a ship heading to Australia. A storm blows up and washes Dorothy over the side. (It seems to me that Dorothy has an uncanny ability to attract deadly storms. Perhaps she should change her last name.) She manages to stay ... Read More:

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Shari: We began reading *Ozma of Oz* on a five year old birthday, which meant waiting a whole week since finishing *The Land of Oz* from Christmas. The chief appeal as a child had been for me the guessing game, and the Nome King did not disappoint my five year old.

Billina knowing a secret had us talking about secrets all week, but more important than knowing a secret is knowing that the least imposing character, a chicken, can save the day. Precisely because she's unnoticed and not taken to be significant she learns that which ends up being most important. With evil defeated by ordinary goods, this had us cheering for the wonderfulness of that which seems commonplace. Who knew what could frighten the evil Nome King? Evil may not be what you expect, he was funny not scary, but his defeat is unexpected also.

The Hungry Tiger has become our favorite though. He is thoroughly concerned with right behavior, even though it is in his nature to cause no small harm. An excellent counterpoint to those who might be led to believe that all natural behavior is thus deemed good.

And the character who might have been most disturbing? Langweidre? Not a threat at all. "She's not good at being queen, because she doesn't govern." well. indeed.

Lee Födi: This has always been my absolute favorite book of the Oz series. It makes a great read aloud to young children, but I think older kids will like it too, due to some fascinating concepts such as the Wheelers, the Princess with 28 heads, and the Giant with the hammer.

In this book, L. Frank Baum also introduces some of his best characters in the entire Oz series: Tik-Tok, the Nome King, and Billina the Hen, who is a delightfully mischievous character (as a child, I was always disappointed that she never made more appearances in future Oz books).

"Ozma of Oz" also represents, in my opinion, the best-designed Oz book and this particular edition features color throughout, marvelous typography, and absolutely gorgeous illustrations by John R. Neill. I highly recommend this book and believe no children's library should be without it.

A B: i've got a couple of very precise stories of information my first reads of the oz. sequence - leave out Cuttenclip, the china sherpherdess, and my favourite - the lunch field tree and dinner pail tree featured in "Ozma of Oz", the 3rd during this tremendous series. It really does not occur in Oz, yet fairly a neighboring kingdom around the impenetrable desert, Ev (I bet Mo and Ix also are border nations - I by no means spotted the two letter pattern before). Dorothy and Uncle Henry take a voyage to Australia, come upon a storm, and Dorothy washes up onto the beaches of Ev besides a sassy conversing chicken. And it truly is awesome. There usually are not as many person adventures as within the first volumes, yet fairly a extra specific tale as Dorothy and Billina the speaking chook meet Tik-tok (literature's first robot!) and trigger to rescue a queen and her ten children. The ultimate sentence is among the sweetest in kid's literature. learn it for yourself, after which learn it to a child.

Tori: one other very good oz. book. Baum has performed this type of nice activity of describing and populating a paranormal kingdom! the tale is written so good - yet it truly is unhappy to imagine that most likely lots of latest younger readers would not learn it since it isn't really action-packed. there's simply this sort of sweetness approximately those books. i like the characters - TikTok, the Wheelers, Billina, the Nome King. i'm blissful this sequence used to be a part of my lifestyles whilst i used to be growing to be up - now i'm hoping that my grand-daughter can be both enchanted with it!

Joy: my favourite ounces e-book so far. a superb experience packed with attention-grabbing characters. it flows well and used to be simply such fun. gnome king riddles and sawhorse rhymes: "Would a wood horse in a forest go? Aye, aye! I sigh, he would, even though Had he no longer had a wood head He'd mount the mountain best instead." any publication containing timber which endure lunchbox culmination and dinner pails can in simple terms be delightful:?

"The leaves of this tree have been all paper napkins, and it awarded a truly wonderful visual appeal to the hungry little girl. however the tree subsequent to the lunch-box tree was once much more wonderful, for it bore amounts of tin dinner-pails, which have been so complete and heavy that the stout branches bent beneath their weight. a few have been small and dark-brown in color; these better have been of a lifeless tin color; however the rather ripe ones have been pails of shiny tin that shone and glistened fantastically within the rays of light that touched them."my favourite characters:Bill (the yellow hen):?"I'm completely happy to grasp that," persisted the yellow hen, in a private tone; "because, if one goes to talk, it's most sensible to speak correctly.? "Do you lay your egg very early?" requested Dorothy. "About 8 o'clock," acknowledged Billina. "And all people must be up by way of that time, I'm sure."the useless princess:?"At current there are at the least ten mins each day that i have to commit to affairs of state, and that i wish to be capable to spend my complete time in admiring my appealing heads."? "I had forgotten all approximately her. That was once yesterday, you know, and a Princess can't be anticipated to recollect at the present time what she did yesterday.the hungry tiger: ?"Fat babies! Don't they sound delicious? yet I've by no means eaten any, simply because my judgment of right and wrong tells me it really is wrong.? "You definitely glance delicious," the beast was once saying. "Will you kindly supply me permission to devour you?"

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