

ACT TWO — SCENE 11 - The Wizard's chamber

Oz. Step forward if you dare. (DOROTHY advances with the broom)

Can I believe my eyes? Why have you come back?

DOROTHY. Please, sir. We've done what you told us. We've brought you the broomstick of the Wicked Witch of the West. We melted her.

Oz. Oh, you liquidated her, eh? (laughs at his own joke) Very resourceful!

DOROTHY. Yes, sir. So we'd like you to keep your promise to us, — if you please, sir.

Oz. Not so fast! Not so fast! I'll have to give the matter a little thought!

Go away, and come back tomorrow!

DOROTHY. Tomorrow? Oh, but I want to go home now!

Oz. Do not arouse the wrath of the Great and Powerful Oz!

I said come back tomorrow!

DOROTHY. If you were really great and powerful, you'd keep your promises!

Oz. Do you presume to criticize the Great Oz? (Machine roars)

You ungrateful creatures! (Machine roars) The Great Oz has spoken! Now go!

DOROTHY. Toto, come out of there!

OZ. I said go! Oh! Pay no attention to that man behind the curtain.

The Great and Powerful Oz — (Gives up) — has spoken —

DOROTHY. Who are you?

Oz. WeH, I-I — I am the Great and Powerful — Wizard of Oz.

DOROTHY. You are? I don't believe you!

Oz. No, I'm afraid it's true. There's no other Wizard except me.

SCARECROW. You humbug!

Oz. Yes—that's exactly so—I'm a humbug.

DOROTHY. Oh... you're a very bad man!

Oz. Oh, no, my dear. I-I'm a very good man. I'm just a very bad wizard.

SCARECROW. What about the heart you promised Tinman?

TINMAN & LION. And Scarecrow's brain?

Oz. Why, anybody can have a brain. That's a very mediocre commodity.

Back where I come from we have Universities — where men go to become great thinkers. And when they come out, they think deep thoughts, and with no more brains than you have. But — they have one thing you haven't got — a diploma!

Therefore, by virtue of the authority vested in me by the Universitatus

Committeeatum e pluribus unum, I hereby confer upon you the Honorary Degree of T.H.D.

SCARECROW. T.H.D?

Oz. Yeah—that—that's Dr. of Thinkology.

SCARECROW. The sum of the square roots of any two sides of an isosceles triangle is equal to the square root of the remaining side. Oh joy! Rapture! I've got a brain! How can I ever thank you enough?

Oz. Well, you can't. (To the LION) As for you, my fine friend, you are under the unfortunate delusion that simply because you run away from danger you have no courage! You are confusing courage with wisdom. Back where I come from we have men who are called heroes. Once a year, they take their fortitude out of the mothballs and parade it down the main street of the city. And they have no more courage than you have. But — they have one thing you haven't got! A medal!

Oz. Therefore, for meritorious conduct, extraordinary valor, conspicuous bravery against wicked witches, I award you the Triple Cross. (Pins it on the LION)  
You are now a member of the Legion of Courage!

LION. Oh-oh, shucks, folks. — I'm speechless!

Oz. As for you, my galvanized friend, you want a heart! You don't know how lucky you are not to have one. Hearts will never be practical until they can be made unbreakable.

TINMAN. But I — I still want one.

Oz. Back where I come from there are men who do nothing all day but good deeds. They are called phil... er ... phil... er ... er... good-deed-doers and their hearts are no bigger than yours, but they have one thing you haven't got. A testimonial! Therefore, in consideration of your kindness, I take pleasure at this time in presenting you with a small token of our esteem and affection.  
And remember, my sentimental friend, that a heart is not judged by how much you love, but by how much you are loved by others.

TINMAN. Oh, oh, it ticks! Look! Listen to my heart, it ticks!

LION. Read ... read what my medal says.

DOROTHY. Awarded for Courage!

LION. Ain't it the truth! Ain't it the truth!

DOROTHY. Oh, they're all so wonderful.

SCARECROW. Hey, what about Dorothy?

TINMAN. Yes, what about Dorothy?

OZ. Ah...

LION. Dorothy next.

Oz. Yes, Dorothy.

DOROTHY. Oh, I don't think there's anything in there for me.