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No. 5 Cuckoo

(Percussion)

The MUNCHKINS *bolt in terror, hiding behind trees, shrubbery, etc.*

DOROTHY. (*From inside the house*) Aunt Em … Uncle Henry …
Where are you, outside? (*Coming out of the house*)
I had the funniest dream, Aunt Em… I dreamt that
the twister blew the house way up in the sky an' it got
caught in the rainbow an'… (*Stops suddenly, staring*) Hey…!

DOROTHY *closes her eyes, pinches herself, shakes her head vigorously and reopens her eyes. Still the same strange place.*

Mmmmmm…

DOROTHY *looks around at the bright green grass and the big, blooming flowers. Some of the shrubbery is shaking a good deal from the trembling* MUNCHKINS, *but* DOROTHY *is too perplexed to notice this. She turns and sees the rainbow rising above the house, then whistles in amazement.*

Somethin' tells me this isn't Kansas.

No. 6 Sorceress Of The North

(Orchestra)

The SORCERESS OF THE NORTH *appears out of the air.*

DOROTHY. (*Cont.*) Now I know this isn't Kansas.

SORCERESS OF THE NORTH (GOOD WITCH).
(*Arms raised in solemn greeting*) Hail!

DOROTHY. Are you speaking to me, Miss?

GOOD WITCH. Hail, strange sorceress!

A MUNCHKIN *pops his head out of a bush.*

PEEPING MUNCHKIN. Her name's RFD 2.

The MUNCHKIN *disappears in the bush again.*

GOOD WITCH. Hail, RFD 2!

DOROTHY. (*Saluting timidly*) Hail yourself, Miss. But my name's Dorothy.

GOOD WITCH. Are you a good witch or a bad witch? Which?

DOROTHY. I'm not any kind of a witch. I'm just Dorothy Gale from Kansas.

GOOD WITCH. Kansas … I think I've read about it in our children's books.

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DOROTHY. What place is this?

GOOD WITCH. This is the county of the Munchkins in the Land of Oz.

DOROTHY. How did I get here?

GOOD WITCH. Your house brought you down the rainbow.

DOROTHY. Oh … (*Looks at the rainbow*) Certain'y is pretty…

GOOD WITCH. Is this the first time you've ever seen the other end of the rainbow, Dorothy?

DOROTHY. Yes'm. You know I never saw a rainbow hang around so long.

GOOD WITCH. Oh, that's there all the time. It's only the other end that moves around. We sometimes wonder where it goes.

DOROTHY. Are you a Munchkin, Miss?

GOOD WITCH. No, I am the Sorceress Of The North, Dorothy, and I rule the county of the Gillikins in the north part of Oz.

DOROTHY. I see. Pardon me, but is Oz a fairyland?

GOOD WITCH. Naturally. Isn't Kansas?

DOROTHY. Well, not exactly.

GOOD WITCH. Then how is it your house flies so well?

DOROTHY. That was the twister.

GOOD WITCH. Whatever it was, you have done the Munchkins a great service by killing their wicked witch.

DOROTHY. (*Backs up stage left, aghast*) I killed a witch?!!!

GOOD WITCH. Or your house did … (*Points at the shoes under the house*) Look.

DOROTHY. Oh, that's dreadful! What'll Aunt Em say?!!!

GOOD WITCH. If your Aunt Em knew the witch, she'd say you did a wonderful thing, Dorothy. She was very wicked. Had I the power I should have rid the Land of Oz of her long ago.

DOROTHY. Well, if you think nobody minds.

GOOD WITCH. Ask the Munchkins what they think…

DOROTHY. Where are they?

GOOD WITCH. Oh, they're around. Come out, you Munchkins. Come out! This is not a witch. Come out.

Music in. The MUNCHKINS *come out of hiding.*