# **JITTERBUGS**

#### Wicked Witch

So! You won't take a warning, eh? All the worse for you, then. Hah! When I gain those ruby slippers, my power will be the greatest in all of Oz! And now, my beauties something with a little sting in it's step! Jitterbugs...yes! My lovely dancing Jitterbugs, show yourselves!

The **Jitterbugs** begin to emerge from the shadows.

#### **Wicked Witch**

Make her dance, dance! Until those ruby slippers fall from her feet! Now go!

Dorothy, Scarecrow, Tin Ma'am, and the Lion enter. The **Jitterbugs** begin to buzz from their hiding places.

# **Dorothy**

What's that sound?

Did you just hear what I just heard?

#### Scarecrow

That noise don't come from an ordinary bird.

# **Dorothy**

It may be just a cricket or a critter in the trees.

# Tin Ma'am

It's giving me the jitters in the joints around the knees.

## Lion

I think I see a shadow and it's fuzzy and it's furry.

## **Scarecrow**

I haven't got a brain but I think I ought to worry.

## Tin Ma'am

I haven't got a heart but I feel a palpitation.

# **Dorothy**

Are you gonna stand around And let them fill us full of horror?

## Lion

I'd like to roar him down, But I think I lost my roarer!

## Witch

Who's that hiding In the treetops?
It's that rascal,

# **Jitterbugs**

The Jitterbug

## Witch

Should you catch him Buzzing round you, Keep away from

# **Jitterbugs**

The Jitterbug

## Witch

Oh the bees in the breeze,
And the bats in trees,
Have a terrible, horrible buzz.
But the bees in the breeze
And the bats in the trees,
Couldn't do what the Jitterbug does.
So, be careful of that rascal,
Keep away from
The Jitterbug.

# **Jitterbugs**

Doo-wah doo-wah doo-wah!

# Dorothy, Scarecrow, Tin Ma'am, Lion

The Jitterbug!

# **Jitterbugs**

Doo-wah doo-wah doo-wah!

# **Wicked Witch**

That's right! Dance! Dance! Dance till you dance away those ruby slippers!

# **Jitterbugs**

Doo-wah doo-wah doo-wah!

# **Big Dance Break!**

**Dorothy** and the **gang** dance with a series of **Jitterbugs** to different types of music. The **Jitterbugs** are trying to 'dance' the ruby slippers off of Dorothy. The Wicked Witch and Dorothy have a dance off. The Witch is sent off stage. At the end of the dance off the stage is littered with panting **Jitterbugs**.

Dorothy stands triumphant!

# **Dorothy**

I've never danced so much in my life!

#### Scarecrow

That witch certainly wants those slippers!

## Lion

Where is she? Where's that witch?

## Tin Ma'am

Look at that!

# **Dorothy**

Oh, my! It's the gates of the Emerald City!

# **Optimistic Voices**

You're out of the woods, You're out of the dark, You're out of the night. Step into the sun, Step into the light. March up to the gate And bid open, Open!

# **Dorothy**

It's beautiful, isn't it? Just like I knew it would be. He really must be a wonderful Wizard to live in a city like that!

# **Scarecrow**

Well, come on, then.

# Tin Ma'am

What are you waiting for?

## Lion

On to Oz!

# **Dorothy**

On to Oz!

## All

On to Oz!

# We're Off To See the Wizard

## All

We're off to see the Wizard, The wonderful Wizard of Oz.

We hear he is a whiz of a Wiz', If ever a Wiz' there was.

If ever, oh ever, a Wiz' there was, The Wizard of Oz is one because, Because, because, because.

# **Dorothy**

Because of the wonderful things he does.

## All

We're off to see the Wizard, The Wonderful Wizard of Oz.

They exit up through the audience.

END OF ACT ONE

# WINKIE GUARDS Winkies March

The Scarecrow, Tin Ma'am, and Lion are at the base of the Wicked Witch's castle.

# Tin Ma'am

Oh, I hate to think of Dorothy in that awful place. We've got to get her out.

## Scarecrow

Don't cry now. We haven't got the oilcan with us, And you've been squeaking enough as it is.

**Toto** 

Ruff! Ruff-ruff!

Lion

What's them, what's them?

Toto indicates the **Winkie Guards** are moving towards them. We see the **Winkie Guards** marching across the stage.

# Winkie Guards

Oh-we-oh!

We-ohh-oh!

Oh-we-oh!

We-ohh-oh!

Oh-we-oh!

We-ohh-oh!

# Tin Ma'am

They're Winkies! The Witch's guards!

## Lion

Get 'em away! Get 'em away!

## **Scarecrow**

I've got a plan how to get in there.

## Lion

You got a plan!

## Scarecrow

And you're going to lead us.

Lion

Me?

## Scarecrow

Yes, you.

## Lion

All right, I'll go in there for Dorothy! Wicked Witch or no Wicked Witch, guards or no guards, I'll tear 'em apart!

There's only one thing I want you guys to do.

## Scarecrow and Tin Ma'am

What's that?

## Lion

Talk me out of it.

Winkie Guards, Lion, Scarecrow, Toto and Tin Ma'am exit.

# Winkies March (Reprise)

The **Winkie Guards** enter from the audience and cross up onto the stage. The final 3 guards are the Scarecrow, Tin Ma'am, and Lion.

# Winkie Guards

Oh-we-oh!

We-ohh-oh!

Oh-we-oh!

We-ohh-oh!

Oh-we-oh!

We-ohh-oh!

## Scarecrow

And halt! That will be all. Dismissed!

## Lion

You heard him. Back to your watch. Back to your watch!

## Tin Ma'am

We'll guard the girl. That's right, keep marching, keep marching.

The **Winkie Guards** exit off stage, leaving the Scarecrow, Tin Ma'am, and Lion.