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Trials of Oz

Open-Ended Response Answer Key

1. Students may share a personal experience about overcoming a challenge and connect it to Dorothy's growth in the story.
2. The Scarecrow represents self-doubt, the Tin Woodman represents emotions, and the Cowardly Lion represents fear—real struggles that people face.
3. Some may argue that Dorothy needed the journey to believe in herself, while others may say she always had strength but just didn't realize it.
4. Answers will vary. Students may wish for confidence, kindness, patience, or strength and explain why.

