

ON YOUR OWN



The Wonderful Wizard of Oz by L. Frank Baum

The cyclone had set the house down very gently—for a cyclone—in the midst of a country of marvelous beauty. There were lovely patches of greensward all about, with stately trees bearing rich and luscious fruits. Banks of gorgeous flowers were on every hand, and birds with rare and brilliant plumage sang and fluttered in the trees and bushes.

What clues from the text helps the reader understand the meanings of the underlined words?

With a partner, discuss what you think the underlined words mean.

Use a dictionary to check the meanings that you and your partner discussed.