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   Accept answers which discuss that they do not know will they will discover or encounter on their journey / they may need to make people happy.

4. Write one way that Ozma and the Wizard are similar and one way that they are different.
   Accept any reasonable similarities or differences based on the text, such as: Similar: ‘they are both loved by the people of Oz’, Different: ‘Ozma is young and the Wizard is old’.