



SECTION 1

GOOD versus WICKED



ACTIVITY

◆ DEFYING GRAVITY ◆

"I'm through accepting limits, 'cause someone says they're so." – Elphaba

Throughout history, there are examples of women who, like Elphaba, were labelled negatively or even labelled as "witches" for standing up for what they believed in or for breaking boundaries and "defying gravity".

Two more recent examples of female leaders who have been labelled as "witches" are former Australian Prime Minister Julia Gillard and former US Secretary of State Hillary Rodham Clinton.

Have your students research one inspiring woman who defied the odds and, using their experiences, write a poem about how they defied gravity.

