

# Wicked, Dancing Through Life

The trouble with school is  
They always try to teach the wrong lesson  
Believe me, I've been kicked out  
Of enough of them to know  
They want you to become less callow  
Less shallow  
But I say: why invite stress in?  
Stop studying strife  
And learn to live "the unexamined life":

Dancing through life  
Skimming the surface  
Gliding where turf is smooth  
Life's more painless  
For the brainless  
Why think too hard?  
When it's so soothing  
Dancing through life  
No need to tough it  
When you can sluff it off as I do  
Nothing matters  
But knowing nothing matters  
It's just life  
So keep dancing through

Dancing through life  
Swaying and sweeping  
And always keeping cool  
Life is fraught-less  
When you're thoughtless  
Those who don't try  
Never look foolish  
Dancing through life  
Mindless and careless  
Make sure you're where less  
Trouble is rife  
Woes are fleeting  
Blows are glancing  
When you're dancing  
Through life:  
(spoken) So - what's the most swankified place in town?

GALINDA  
(spoken) That would be the Ozdust Ballroom.

FIYERO  
(spoken) Sounds perfect.  
(sung) Let's go down to the Ozdust Ballroom  
We'll meet there later tonight  
We can dance till it's light  
Find the prettiest girl:  
Give 'er a whirl:  
Right on down to the Ozdust Ballroom  
Come on - follow me  
You'll be happy to be there:

ALL  
Dancing through life  
Down at the Ozdust

FIYERO  
If only because dust  
Is what we come to:

ALL  
Nothing matters  
But knowing nothing matters  
It's just life

FIYERO  
So keep dancing through:

BOQ  
(spoken) Miss Galinda - I hope you'll save at least one  
dance for me. I'll be right there. Waiting. Allnight.

GALINDA(spoken) Oh - that's so kind. But you know what would  
be even kinder?  
(sung) See that tragic'ly beautiful girl  
The one in the chair  
It seems so unfair  
We should go on a spree  
And not she  
Gee -  
I know someone would be my hero  
If that someone were to go invite her:

BOQ  
(spoken) Well, maybe - I could invite her!

GALINDA Oh, Bick, really?  
You would do that for me?

BOQ  
(spoken) I would do anything for you, Miss Galinda:

GALINDA  
(spoken) So:

FIYERO  
(spoken) So I'll be picking you up around eight?

GALINDA(spoken) After all -  
(sung) Now that we've met one another

FIYERO AND GALINDA  
It's clear - we deserve each other

GALINDA You're perfect:

FIYERO  
You're perfect:

BOTH  
So we're perfect together  
Born to be forever  
Dancing through life:

NESSAROSE  
(spoken) Oh, Elphaba - isn't it wonderful?  
(sung) Fin'lly, for this one night  
I'm about to have a fun night  
With this Munchkin boy  
Galinda found for me  
And I only wish there were  
Something I could do for her  
To repay her  
Elphaba, see?  
We deserve each other

And Galinda helped it come true  
We deserve each other,  
Me and Boq:  
(spoken) Elphaba, please try to understand:

ELPHABA

I do:  
(spoken) Galinda - my sister and I were talking about you  
just now-

GALINDA

(spoken) And I was just talking about you! I thought you  
might want to wear this hat to the party tonight!  
(sung) It's really, uh, sharp, don't you think?  
You know - black is this year's pink  
You deserve each other  
This hat and you  
You're both so smart  
You deserve each other  
So here, out of the goodness of my heart:

BOQ

(spoken) Listen: Nessa:

NESSAROSE

(spoken) Yes?

BOQ

Uh - Nessa  
I've got something to confess, a  
Reason why, well -  
Why I asked you here tonight  
Now I know it isn't fair:

NESSAROSE

(spoken) Oh, Boq, I know why.

BOQ

(spoken) You do?

NESSAROSE

It's because I'm in this chair  
And you felt sorry for me  
Well - isn't that right?

BOQ

(spoken) No! No! It's because: because:  
(sung) Because you are so beautiful!

NESSAROSE

Oh, Boq, I think you're wonderful!  
And we deserve each other  
Don't you see, this is our chance?  
We deserve each other  
Don't we, Boq?

BOQ

(spoken) You know what?  
(sung) Let's dance:

NESSAROSE

(spoken) What?!

BOQ

Let's dance!

ALL  
Dancing through life  
Down at the Ozdust  
If only because dust  
Is what we come to!  
And the strange thing:  
Your life could end up changing  
While you're dancing  
Through life!