Cast of Characters

Opal – 10-year-old girl

Narrators 1 & 2 – The narrators explain the action in the play

Gloria – A blind woman with a creative personality — some people think she's a witch

Scene 5

NARRATOR 1  
Opal is riding her bike. Winn-Dixie is loping along beside her.

NARRATOR 2  
He races ahead of her. He hops a gate and goes into the most overgrown jungle of a yard that Opal has ever seen.

NARRATOR 1  
Opal's heard a witch owns the house….

NARRATOR 2  
A witch who eats children….

NARRATOR 1  
Opal follows Winn-Dixie into the yard and bumps right into a woman.

OPAL  
Don't eat me!

GLORIA  
Eat you? Heh, heh, heh.

OPAL  
Where's my dog? Did you eat my dog?

GLORIA  
Hardly. But he nearly ate my hand stealing my sandwich.

OPAL  
I'm sorry about that. My name's Opal.

GLORIA  
My name's Gloria Dump. Ha! Ain't that a terrible last name? Dump.

OPAL  
My last name is Buloni. Sometimes the kids at school call me Lunch Meat.

GLORIA  
Hah! Pleased to meet you, Lunch Meat. Don't figure you'd like to join me for lunch.

OPAL  
Sure, if Winn-Dixie can come too.

GLORIA  
The first thing you should know about me is my eyes ain't too good, so I got to rely on my heart. Why don't you tell me about yourself so as I can see you with my heart.

OPAL  
Well-the first thing you should know is that I don't have a mama. Something made her go away, and I don't know what it was…

NARRATOR 2  
Gloria eats her sandwich and Opal goes on talking. And on, and on….

GLORIA  
My lord, girl, you sure can talk. I feel like I can see you now.

OPAL  
I sure like your garden. Can I come back tomorrow to look at it?

GLORIA  
Not much will have changed by then.

OPAL  
But I want to see you, too.