QUICK CARD: BRAVE IRENE

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Reference	<i>Brave Irene.</i> William Steig. (1986) ISBN: 978-0312564223
Plot	With her seamstress mother ill and in bed, little Irene Bobbin braves a snowstorm to deliver the duchess's finished ballgown in time for the evening's festivities at the palace.
Setting	• A snowy, windy day in the country of a far kingdom
Characters	 Irene Bobbin, a precocious child whose love for her mother and fierce determination drive her to daring deeds of accomplishment Mrs. Bobbin, a sick seamstress and Irene's mother The Duchess, A courtly lady who has hired Mrs. Bobbin to create a beautiful ballgown for an upcoming ball at the palace The Doctor The Servants The Wind, the personified antagonist in the story who torments and toys with Irene, impeding her progress on the way to deliver the gown.
Conflict	Man vs. Nature Man vs. Self
Theme	Diligence Courage Loyalty Duty

	Alliteration: ("wind whirled," "flakes were falling")
Literary Devices	Imagery using:
	Metaphor: "The ballgown flounced out and went waltzing through the powdered air with tissue paper attendants." Simile: "The wind was howling like a wild animal." "The box shot forward, like a sled." "The duchess in her new gown was like a bright star in the sky."
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