Harry Potter and the Goblet of Fire

Harry Potter is the hero of series of books by Joanne K. Rowling. They play in a world of witches and wizards.

Harry Potter and Goblet of Fire is the fourth book in the Harry Potter series. With 636 pages (hardback British edition) it is very large for a children's book. The book attracted a lot of attention because J.K. Rowling warned that one of the characters would die.

The 14 years old Harry spends the end of the summer with the Weasley's and Hermione Granger in the Borrow. They're in attention of the Quidditch World Cup. During the meeting Death Eaters attack Muggles (non magical persons). But they flee when the Dark Mark, Voldemord's sign appears at the sky. The sign was made by Winky using Harry's stolen wand. Winky is a house elf serving Barty Crouch, a official at the Ministry of Magic.

At the start of the new year are surprises for the students in Hogwarts. The new Defence Against the Dark Arts teacher is the Auror (wizard trained to fight the Dark Arts) Alastor "Mad-Eye" Moody.

Beside this there will be no Quidditch matches between Gryffindor, Ravenclaw, Hufflepuff and Slytherin because the Triwizard Tournament is held in Hogwarts. It is a centuries-old inter school competition between Hogwarts, Beauxbaton and Durmstrang. The prize is 1000 galleons. Students have to enter by putting their names into a legendary goblet – the Goblet of Fire. Dumbledore draws an age line around the Goblet, so no pupil under the age of 17 may enter the competition. The Goblet shoot out one champion from each of the 3 schools. He selects Cedric Diggory, Fleur Delacour and Viktor Krum. Mysteriously the Goblet also choose Harry. Harry realises that he is in danger but he is forced to attend. Everybody believes he cheated to enter. Especially Ron becomes very jealous and stops speaking to Harry.

Hagrid, the game keeper of Hogwarts and a very good friend of Harry, tells him, that the champions must battle a dragon in the 1st task. They have to

order a golden egg with an evidence for the 2nd task. Harry was very nervous about the 1st task, but with the help from Hermione, he wins, with Viktor Krum. But he wins with help from Hermione.

At Christmas a Yule Ball is held in Hogwarts. A ball which is in the tradition during the Triwizarding Tournament. Harry learns he needs a partner for opening the dance. He asks a pretty Ravenclaw, Cho Chang, but she is already going with Cedric Diggory. And so he asks his classmate Parvati Patil. Ron invites Fleur, but he screams instead of asking, and runs away before she can answer. Eventually Ron goes with Parvati's twin Padma. At the dance the whole school is amazed to see a beautiful Hermione on Viktor Krum's side. The first time everyone can see that Ron has got some feelings for Hermione, because he is very jealous of Krum.

In the 2nd task, each champion must rescue a friend out of the Black Lake. Harry must rescue Ron, Hermione by Krum, and Cedric rescues Cho Chang. Fleur Delacour is unable to rescue her younger sister Gabrielle. Harry also rescues her, earning Fleur's respect, but causing him to finish second. He is now tied for 1st place with Cedric Diggory.

The 3rd and final task is a maze in which the Triwizard Cup is hidden. Whoever grab the trophy first is the winner. Harry and Cedric arrive at the Triwizard Cup together. Because they helped each other, they agree to grab it at the same time. However, the cup is a Portkey that transport them to a graveyard. Awaiting them are Peter Pettigrew and Lord Voldemort. Pettigrew kills Cedric and then uses Harry's blood to restore Voldemort's full body. Voldemort summons the the Death Eaters and engages Harry in a duel. Unknown to Voldemort, their wands are "brothers" an will not work against one another. Suddenly Voldemort's victims spill out from his wand, including Cedric and Harry's parents. The shield allows Harry to get to the portkey and return to Hogwarts with Cedric's body.

Back at Hogwarts Professor Moody revealed to be Barty Crouch Jr. It was him who entered Harry's name in the goblet and assured he reached the Triwizard Cup.

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