



# PHOENIX RISING

## Final Theory Wall

*The final Harry Potter book, Harry Potter and the Deathly Hallows, will be released July 21, 2007, a short two months after Phoenix Rising took place. Over the last ten years, J. K. Rowling's series has generated a thousand theories, from the portentous to the ludicrous. At Phoenix Rising — one of the last fan events before the Harry Potter canon closes — attendees created a Final Theory Wall, an interactive art project on which attendees recorded their predictions and speculation about the series one last time.*

Battle, underground tunnels, all linked: Chamber of Secrets, Marauder's Tunnels, Gringotts vaults, Locket location, Ministry of Magic, Prophecy Room

Green smoke from Harry's vault was Voldemort

Griphook, a goblin in Book One, will be a prominent character.

- Janice Mininberg

Rufus Scrimgeour is a spy for Lord Voldemort or a Death Eater.

Hermione will work for Fred and George in their joke shop.

Harry will help Nearly Headless Nick completely sever his head using the bloodstained axe from the Room of Requirement. (It was used to kill Nearly Headless Nick in the first place.)

Lord Voldemort's wand is a horcrux; Nagini is not.

Dudley's gonna "get it" from Harry.

- Xray2000

Petunia loves James Potter. That's why she hates Harry so much!

- Anonymous

Harry will get to choose if he lives or dies (in the place called "Deathly Hallows"). (It is all about choices.)

- Anonymous

The HP crew goes to New Orleans' Bourbon Street where they enter a bar and Snape does the "I'm bringing sexy back" dance and Voldemort sings "I will survive."

- Anonymous

Aberforth gets his goats to overthrow Voldy!

- Anonymous

McGonagall is the real spy.

- Anonymous



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The potion (or lake water) Dumbledore drank in the cave was the Draught of the Living Death, the only potion mentioned in Snape's opening lecture in SS that we have not yet seen in action.

- Wolfsbaine

They will visit the Underworld. Harry will die and be reborn.

- Anonymous

Luna will somehow lead Harry into the Underworld.

- Anonymous

Snape ends up escaping to New Orleans, where he makes his fortune with a lot of notoriously potent daiquiris.

- Anonymous

Peter will repay his life debt by telling Harry where Godric's Hollow is, because he is still the Secret Keeper.

- Carroll

Deeper magic must be evoked. Innocent must die in place of a traitor.

- Anonymous

Arabella Figg has been using Polyjuice Potion. She is R.A.B.

- Anonymous

Snape knew Peter was the traitor from the beginning; Peter needed someone he could approach to get into Voldie's circle. Or, if Voldie "approached" Peter to get at the Potters, he needed someone who knew the group's dynamics and could speak to Peter.

- Anonymous

Remus is a spy. He joined Voldie because the dark is the only side to offer a werewolf a legitimate place in society.

- Anonymous

Lupin lives. Molly dies. Harry triumphs. Regulus isn't dead.

- Marie, aka ElectronicQuillster

Snape kills Dumbledore again!

- Anonymous

Rocks fall, everyone dies.

- Kirstee

Harry is a horcrux. Using a dementor, they find a way for it to suck out only Voldie's soul, destroying the horcrux in Harry's scar and leaving Harry to live.

- Anonymous



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Snape dies protecting Harry. Draco turns against his padre and the Dark Lord.

- Anonymous

Kreacher will be the key to identifying the locket horcrux (which is currently in the hands of Aberforth). He belongs to Harry now so if he asks, Kreacher must tell.

- Anonymous

Snape will lead the Death Eaters in a revolt leaving Harry's path to Voldemort clear. Peter kills Greyback, but is then done in by Lupin. Ron and Hermione lead a diversionary attack. Voldemort is destroyed, and Harry and Ginny and Ron and Hermione live in one big Weasley family.

- Anonymous

Peter Pettigrew is the final horcrux. Lord Voldemort kills Snape and transfers [illegible] soul into Harry. Harry kills himself to make Lord Voldemort mortal and Neville kills the mortal Lord Voldemort.

- Wolfsbane

We will finally learn the answer to the question: Does Grawp serve any purpose in the books?

- Anonymous

Harry is safe where his mother's blood resides. Voldemort has Harry's (and his mother's) blood.

- Anonymous

Hagrid will probably die and I'll be one of maybe four Potter fans on earth who will be sad.

- Anonymous

Harry, as the Tragic Hero, dies (and Ron saves the day and becomes more than "just" Harry Potter's stupid friend).

- Anonymous

I hope to see Harry ending up in front of the Mirror of Erised and seeing nothing but himself.

- Anonymous

Harry "kills" Voldemort with compassion.

- Anonymous

Neville saves the day in the end.

- Anonymous

Harry is a horcrux. Neville will kill Voldemort.

- Anonymous

Harry is a horcrux and will die killing Voldemort.

- Anonymous



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Neville saves the day in the end!

- Anonymous

Dumbledore was outside the window at Spinner's End advising Snape when he made the Unbreakable Vow.

- Anonymous

Voldemort wins, but Harry catches the Snitch!

- Anonymous

Snape kills Voldemort, Pettigrew helps and Harry just acts as bait/distraction!

- Anonymous

Snape is innocent and Dumbledore knew that he would have to possibly kill him, which is why he reached out. We'll also find out what Severus did to gain Albus' trust when he went to him all those years ago. Severus was in love with Lily and that's why he's saved Harry so many times. He loves the Lily part of him, but hates the James part. We might also find out more about what happened to Sirius!

- Sara

At the end of the books we discover it's actually "The Authorized Biography of Harry Potter, As Dictated to Rita Skeeter."

- Anonymous

Harry's Invisibility Cloak is the last horcrux.

- Anonymous

The Sorting Hat is the last horcrux.

- Anonymous

Draco fights for Harry, even though not "alongside" him.

- Anonymous

Snape will survive to become the next Dark Lord.

- Anonymous

Quirrell returns and saves the day!

- Anonymous

The panel convinced me – Snape is good. He had an Unbreakable Vow with Lily and he'll die saving Harry.

Literary alchemy: Harry = sulfur, Hermione = mercury. They come together to defeat Voldemort = gold.

- Anonymous

Snape killed his own father.

- Anonymous



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Prophecy refers to Snape (alone) or Snape and Harry. Snape has been marked as the Dark Lord's equal (with the Dark Mark), he approaches (the room at the inn) and is "born" (to OotP) as the seventh month dies.

- Anonymous

J.K. Rowling will not really ever retire HP. The books will keep coming!

- Anonymous

Everyone trips and falls through the veil. It's a Tonks jinx.

- Anonymous

Viktor Krum: Defense Against the Dark Arts Professor.

- MM

Snape martyrs himself for Harry. I'm expecting it, but I don't like it. And Harry lives.

- Anonymous

The last book will go full circle and end similarly to the Philosopher's Stone. It will require the abilities of Harry, Hermione and Ron to get Harry into a place where he will face Voldemort alone. Ron will sacrifice himself in the process (maybe even die) so that Harry can go on.

- Anonymous

Harry is actually dreaming.

- Anonymous

Weasleys die, probably the twins or Charlie; there are just too many of them to survive!

- Anonymous

Neville will be the real hero and save everyone.

- Anonymous

Sorry, Hagrid... you're a goner.

- Anonymous

Zombie! Sirius saves the day by eat Voldie's living flesh! Go zombies!

- Anonymous

Snape survives. Remus dies. Snape is condemned to forever tell the story of the Marauders' generation. Snape wasn't evil, but his personal code of honor involves a lot of suffering.

- Anonymous

Severus nearly achieves Potter's execution.

- Anonymous



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Snape survives and is sentenced to teach at Hogwarts for the rest of his life.

- Anonymous

Severus Snape dies trying to redeem himself. Draco is redeemed.

- Anonymous

The horcruxes are objects belonging to the four Founders, similar to the Grail Hallows and the four tarot suits: cup, sword, platter/coin (locket?) and spear/wand/rod. Harry defeats Voldemort, and we get a “Jane Austen” happily ever after epilogue, not unlike Emma or Pride and Prejudice.

- Denise

Ron dies simply because I don't like him.

- Sasha

As the Sorting Hat says, Hogwarts will be united. Everyone will be accepted by Hufflepuff and will toil loyally together.

- Anonymous

The final showdown is on Harry's mind after he destroys all the other horcruxes and discovers that he is the last one. How to destroy Voldy without destroying himself? Can Voldemort possess him now when he couldn't in OotP?

- Anonymous

Ginny is a horcrux.

- Anonymous

Snape really is a vampire.

- Anonymous

Harry will kill Voldemort with love, not a killing curse.

- Anonymous

Trelawney's predictions have been correct, but misinterpreted. Remember that the Grim was Sirius. Remember “first to rise is first to die”? Dumbledore rose first.

- Anonymous

Snape will die a heroic death in defense of Harry, who will finally understand that the world is not black and white, good and evil, but grey. Of course, Snape will be proven to be on the good side, even if he himself is not good. And Remus gets a happy ending!

- Anonymous

Notice how Narcissa and Snape are never seen at the same time? Hmmm...

- Anonymous

Notice how Narcissa and Hagrid are never seen at the same time?



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- Other Anonymous

Harry does die, as does Voldemort, but we are left comforted by Harry's death because it takes him "beyond the veil" – with his parents, Sirius, Dumbledore. All the people he loves.

- Trish
- And abigail89

Snape loved Lily but never told anyone but Dumbledore, which is why DD trusts him!

- Alyson

Snape dies. Harry realizes he was wrong. Hagrid dies. Draco is not redeemed. Trio lives. Ron gets a cool limp.

- Bks

Harry's scar is the last horcrux.

- Anonymous

Snape lives with regret. Harry and Voldemort kill each other. Yin and yang must be carried out.

- Anonymous

In the final battle, Snape sacrifices his life to enable Harry to kill Voldemort. Harry finally believes in Snape's loyalty to Dumbledore.

- Anonymous

Harry forgives Snape. Snape kills mortal Voldemort and then kills himself so he doesn't have to live with the knowledge that the Potters are better than he is.

- Anonymous

Harry is the last horcrux!

- Anonymous

Snape and Lily grew up in Spinner's End as neighbors and childhood friends.

- Anonymous

Voldemort is slain by Harry wielding the sword of Gryffindor!

- Anonymous

Draco is killed over the summer. Snape sacrifices himself for Harry. Voldie is seriously vanquished. Harry lives!

- Leah, Zodico

Voldemort is somehow out of the picture (dead or his powers are removed), Snape's definitely in for it, and I suspect Peter's heading for the long dirt nap, too. Nagini is probably a Horcrux...

- Anonymous



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The “glint of triumph” in Dumby’s eyes at the end of GoF is because he knows that if using Harry’s blood makes Voldy able to touch him, then using Peter’s hand means the life debt he owes Harry is passed on to him too and Voldy can’t kill Harry (unless he or Peter first saves his life)!

- Erynn

Harry destroys all the horcruxes except for the one that exists within his scar. Snape (or Neville) destroys the Dark Lord. Now, his “spirit” can either choose to die or live “inside” Harry, which he can’t do because of the love within Harry. So ultimately, Voldemort chooses Death.

- Mama

The room in the Department of Mysteries that’s filled with love will play a vital role in the final confrontation.

- Anonymous

The Sorting Hat is a horcrux and has been possessed for years. The soul fragment makes it Sort everyone into the *worst* house for them.

- Anonymous

Umbridge becomes the next Minister of Magic.

- Anonymous

Evil Uncle Algie put Neville under a memory charm when he was young. Neville will not die.

- Anonymous

Harry lives, Snape dies, all else is negotiable.

- Anonymous

If Umbridge shows up in Deathly Hallows, everyone will find out that she has a non-human ancestor.

- Anonymous

Percy will die. So will Molly Weasley.

- Anonymous

Dumbledore was in Snape’s position in the past.

- Anonymous

Harry’s going to die with You-Know-Who, and Ginny’s getting together with Draco...

- [unknown]

Garden gnomes will rule them all!

- Anonymous

Weasleys will begin dropping dead. They’re too politically active to get through. There’s no way that Bill and Fleur’s wedding is going to go smoothly.



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- Anonymous

Snape's worst memory is that he called Lily a Mudblood.

- Anonymous

Snape will die in chapter one.

- Anonymous

You don't give a big family twins and then let them both live. One will die and Charlie will too. Harry has to die because he is the tragic hero. One other person will die, and it's probably Snape in an attempt to redeem himself. Hopefully that doesn't happen, or else we will need a support group.

- Anonymous

Weasleys' Wizard Wheezes will come up with a joke product that will save the D.A. and be instrumental in defeating Voldemort.

- Anonymous

Trevor will be crucial in the face-off between Neville and Bellatrix. Bella, in her warped and misdirected way, will attempt to kill Neville, but in her single-minded pursuit of the last of the Longbottoms, will accidentally trip over Trevor and fall off the Astronomy Tower and tumble to her death.

- Anonymous

Harry dies a sacrificial death; Voldemort is redeemed and gets to live.

- Anonymous

Harry lives. Dumbledore is still dead. Ron and Hermione live happily ever after.

- snarkhunter

The only sure thing is that Snape will die!

- Anonymous

No, he won't!

- Other Anonymous

Snape will use Peter's name to pass along information to Harry. Harry will trust it because of Peter's life debt to him.

- valis2

Harry does something foolishly heroic to off the dementors.

- Anonymous

We will find that Dumbledore is behind the veil with plenty of socks.

- Anonymous

Harry dies and Voldemort wins the next election for Minister of Magic.



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- Anonymous

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- Anonymous

Harry will save Snape's life, thus dooming him to owing another life debt to another generation of Potters.

- Anonymous

Percy Weasley is DEEP undercover!

- Anonymous

McGonagall really is evil! It all makes sense!

- Anonymous

Harry will travel beyond the veil and go on the hero's journey.

- Aria\*

Draco will be redeemed.

- Anonymous

The Weasleys will become rich.

- Anonymous

Dumbledore and Snape planned his death. He's not dead, just resting. He's not a dead wizard, he's an ex-wizard.

- Anonymous

Snape did kill Dumbledore because it was the easiest way to save his own skin.

- Anonymous

Sirius lives and the twin become millionaires.

- Anonymous

In true Wizard of Oz fashion, it'll turn out after Harry's searching that he could retrieve the horcruxes of the Founders' possession by asking the Sorting Hat for them. As in CoS, the Hat has the power to send objects that belonged to them.

- Erynn

Peter will fulfill his life debt owed to Harry.

- Anonymous

Harry will kill Snape and then find out he was good all along, and feel reeeeeally bad.

- Anonymous



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Final Battle: NO WANDS. Impromptu dance-off ensues...

- Anonymous

No redemption for Peter! Neville will defeat Bellatrix!

- Anonymous

Cho Chang will marry a Weasley.

- Anonymous

Snape is neither Dumbledore's man nor Voldemort's – he's in it for himself.

- Anonymous

Snape will reveal that he is good. Then he will die!

- Anonymous

Umbridge will rule the world! Or, um, you know, get what's coming to her.

- Anonymous

Snape will die due to saving Harry and Draco, which will kill Voldemort.

- Anonymous

Snape will be redeemed, a twin will die, Harry will live and Dumbledore will have all the socks he can handle in the afterlife.

- Darcy Black

Snape is not redeemed...because he wasn't evil in the first place.

- Anonymous

In the final confrontation, Harry will lose all of Voldemort's gifted powers and will become a Muggle/Squib and have to live with Hagrid and Filch forever!

- Anonymous

Harry will forgive Snape. This will be the sacrifice that defeats Voldemort, as Harry will die in Snape's place.

- Anonymous