

Over the summer, the [Weasleys](#) invite Harry Potter to attend the [Quidditch World Cup](#) final, played between Bulgaria and Ireland. The match ends in a victory for the Irish, but the campsite is attacked by [Voldemort's](#) former followers called the [Death Eaters](#). Despite no one being killed, the Death Eaters set off the [Dark Mark](#) to cause a panic.

[Hogwarts](#) reopens and a new tournament is announced between three schools to compete for the Triwizard Cup. The other competing schools are [Beauxbatons](#) and [Durmstrang](#). Students excitedly await the start of the Tournament, which is declared open after the visiting teams arrive. The Goblet of Fire, a magical object tasked with selecting the champions, is unveiled. It names three champions from each of the schools, then selects Harry as a fourth champion, despite him being underage.

The students perceive Harry has cheated and turn on him. [Rubeus Hagrid](#) believes Harry's innocence and shows him the dragons involved in the First Task. Harry alerts [Cedric Diggory](#), son of [Amos Diggory](#), to the challenge and is helped by "[Mad-Eye](#)" [Moody](#), ex-[Auror](#) and the new [Defence Against the Dark Arts](#) teacher, to prepare for the task. Using his superior flying skills, Harry gets past the dragon and retrieves a clue for the next task. The Second Task requires saving a close friend or relative from the lake. Harry uses Gillyweed, given to him by [Dobby](#), to breathe underwater. He rescues Ron from the lake, while also saving the Beauxbatons champion, [Fleur Delacour's](#) sister, to pick up additional points.

A Yule Ball is announced and Harry must find a partner, as champions traditionally commence the opening dance. Harry and [Ron Weasley](#) struggle initially to get partners, but end up going with the "prettiest girls in their year" - Parvati and Padma Patil. Ron gets jealous seeing [Hermione Granger](#) with [Viktor Krum](#), the Durmstrang champion, and spends the night arguing with her. Harry is sullen that [Cho Chang](#) is with Cedric, the other Hogwarts champion.

The Quidditch field is prepared for the Third (and final) Task, and requires champions to overcome a maze filled with obstacles. Harry and Cedric succeed in reaching the centre, where the Triwizard Cup is placed. They touch it together, but are transported outside Hogwarts to a graveyard. Cedric believes this is part of the Task, but Harry gets alerted when his scar starts burning wildly. [Wormtail](#) arrives with Voldemort and kills Cedric with the latter's wand. He then uses Harry's blood to restore a frail Voldemort back to his full, physical body. Voldemort summons his Death Eaters and tries to kill Harry in front of them. He fails when his and Harry's wandstreams connect, in a rare phenomenon, called Priori Incantatem. This causes a distraction, allowing Harry to escape back to Hogwarts using the Cup.

At Hogwarts, Moody pulls Harry into his office to question him and Harry realises that he is a Death Eater. He is saved by the arrival of [Dumbledore](#), [McGonagall](#) and [Snape](#), who force Moody to reveal himself to be Barty Crouch Jr, a Death Eater formerly presumed dead. Crouch Jr had imprisoned the real Moody and impersonated him using [Polyjuice Potion](#). Arriving at Hogwarts, he makes sure Harry wins the Tournament and is transported to the graveyard for Voldemort's ritual.

Crouch Jr is handed over to the [Dementors](#). Harry recovers in the hospital wing, surrounded by Ron, Hermione and the Weasleys. He meets with Cedric's grieving parents, while Dumbledore makes plans to prepare the wizarding world for Voldemort's return. The school year ends and Harry returns to live with the Dursleys again for the summer.