Memes and Cats

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There is a saying that cats rule the internet. AND THEY DO! Cats, since ancient times, have been worshiped and honored with the most vivid of examples being from Egypt where there have been architectural designs based off of cats, they are seen in relation to ancient Egyptian gods, and are known for their elegance and nobility. And as for memes, memes are a glimpse into internet history through internet culture/slang. They are a product of their times and open the eyes of the viewers to what events were going on back then. An example such as this would be the mid 2000's when youtube first came onto the scene. And with it, cat videos. This became a staple for youtube's early life and internet culture as a whole. Our archive was planned to be longer, but we found out what not to do with images. So here is our shorter work on a small social history archive of cat memes. The idea that our project stemmed from was simple, it was cats. Cats and memes go hand in hand very well to the point where it is not crazy to say that cat memes are eternal. Which brings us to the point on how our archive of cat memes unveils the use of technology in our lives. We are a wasteful society, in the physical sense and the digital sense. The internet culture is so guickly changing and evolving every second of every day. News that was the main topic of today may become old news tomorrow. Irrelevance is the main problem any internet topic or celebrity has to deal with in order to stay within the mainstream spotlight of the internet algorithm. So our archive was made for laughs but also to remember the great things we once had in this everchanging platform we call the internet. Change is a constant but remembering the simple times of the past can also help guide the way forward.