

The background of the image is a wide-angle photograph of a mountain range during sunset or sunrise. The peaks are illuminated with a warm, golden light, contrasting with the cooler blues and greys of the lower slopes and the sky. In the foreground, there's a rocky stream bed with water flowing over rocks, surrounded by green grass and small wildflowers. A few evergreen trees are scattered throughout the scene.

SENIOR PHASE

# SURVIVAL GUIDE

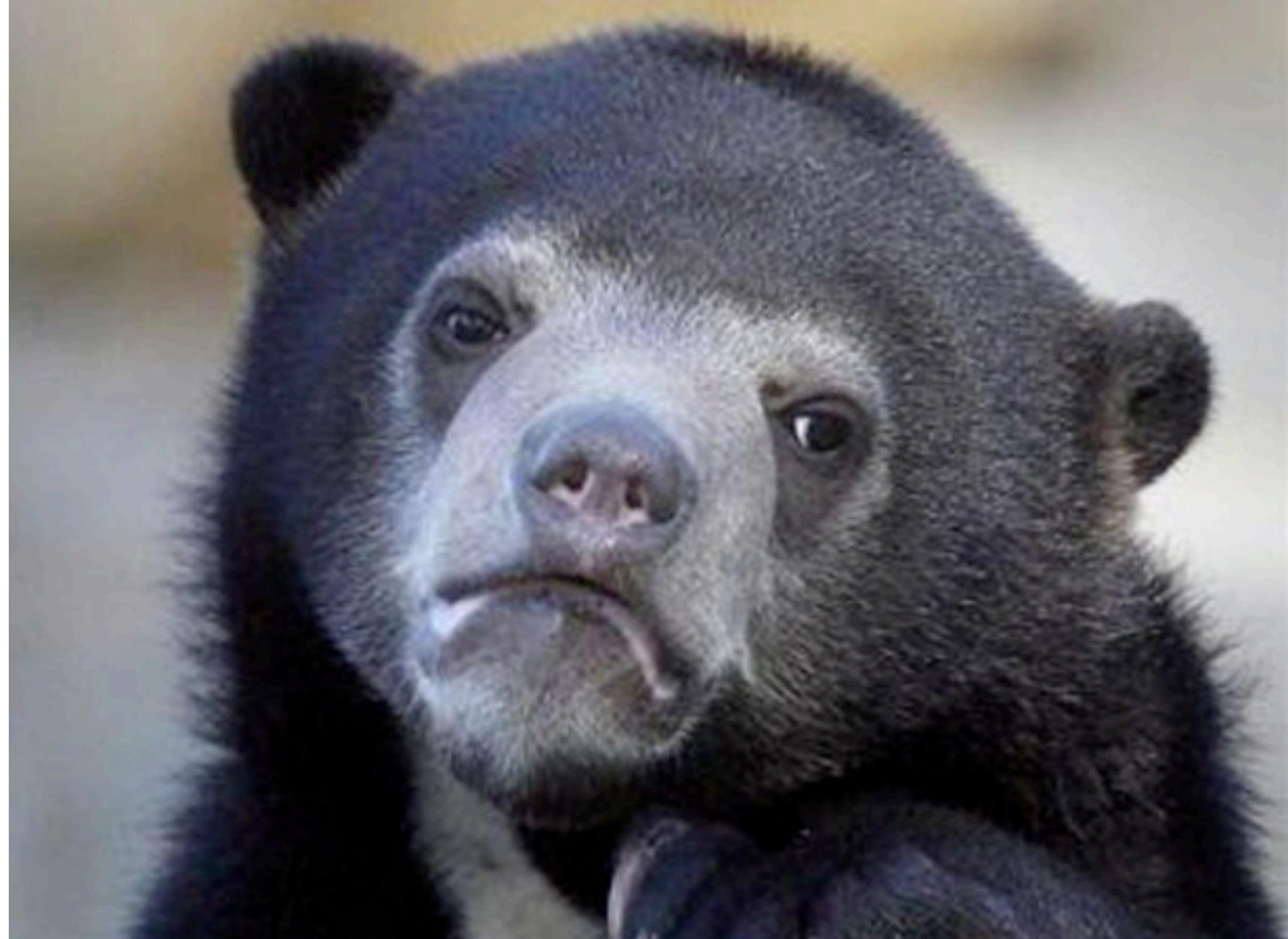
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THIS PROJECT IS MY LIFE BEAR



# SENIOR PHASE PROJECTS

- Grace Shopper
- Stackathon
- Capstone

# SENIOR PHASE CONTENT

- Interview and Job Search Preparation
- Portfolio Enrichment Piece (PEP)
- Lectures by Fullstack Staff and Guests
- Fun stuff
- Projects



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I AM A LONE BEAR; I NEED NO OTHER BEARS



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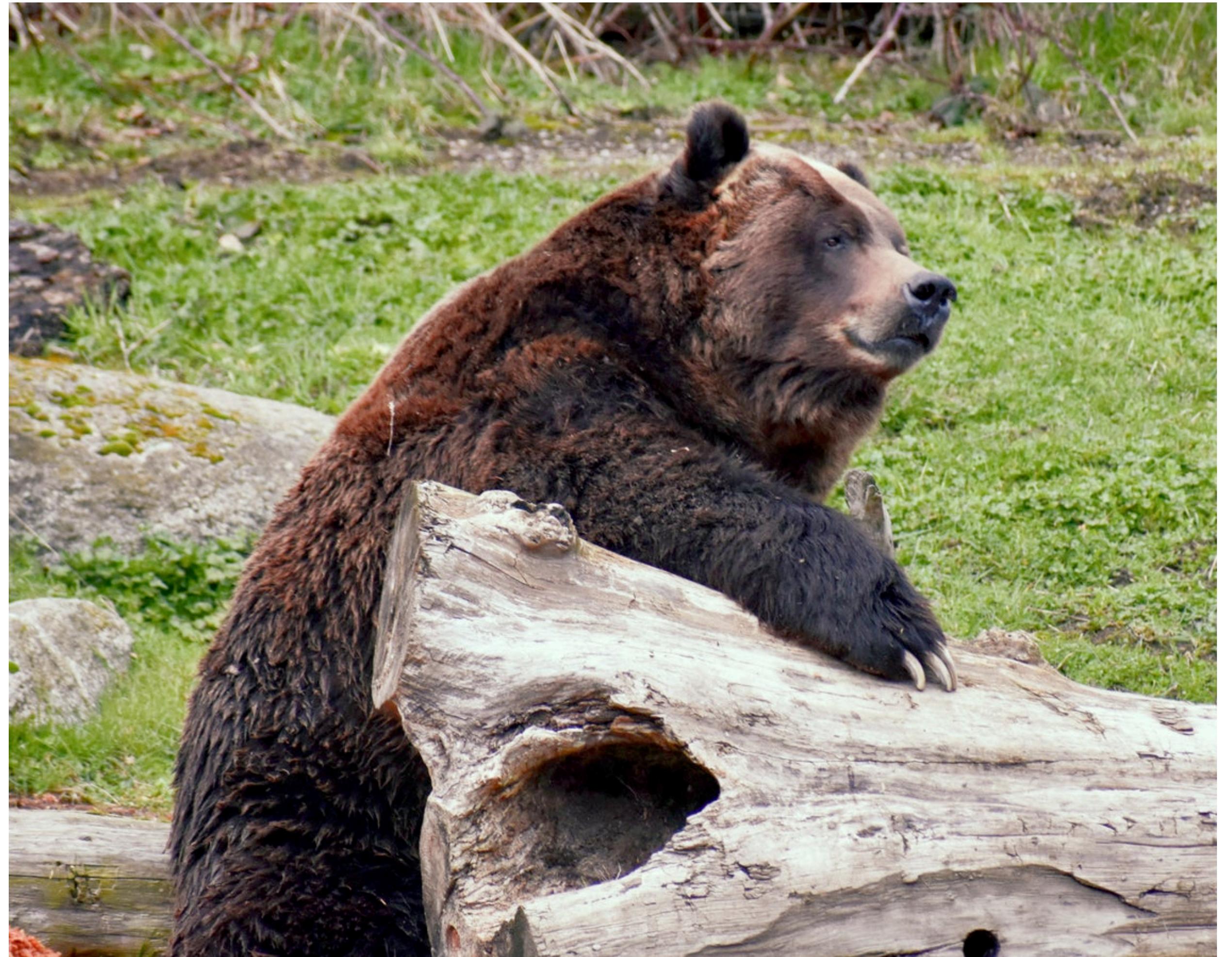
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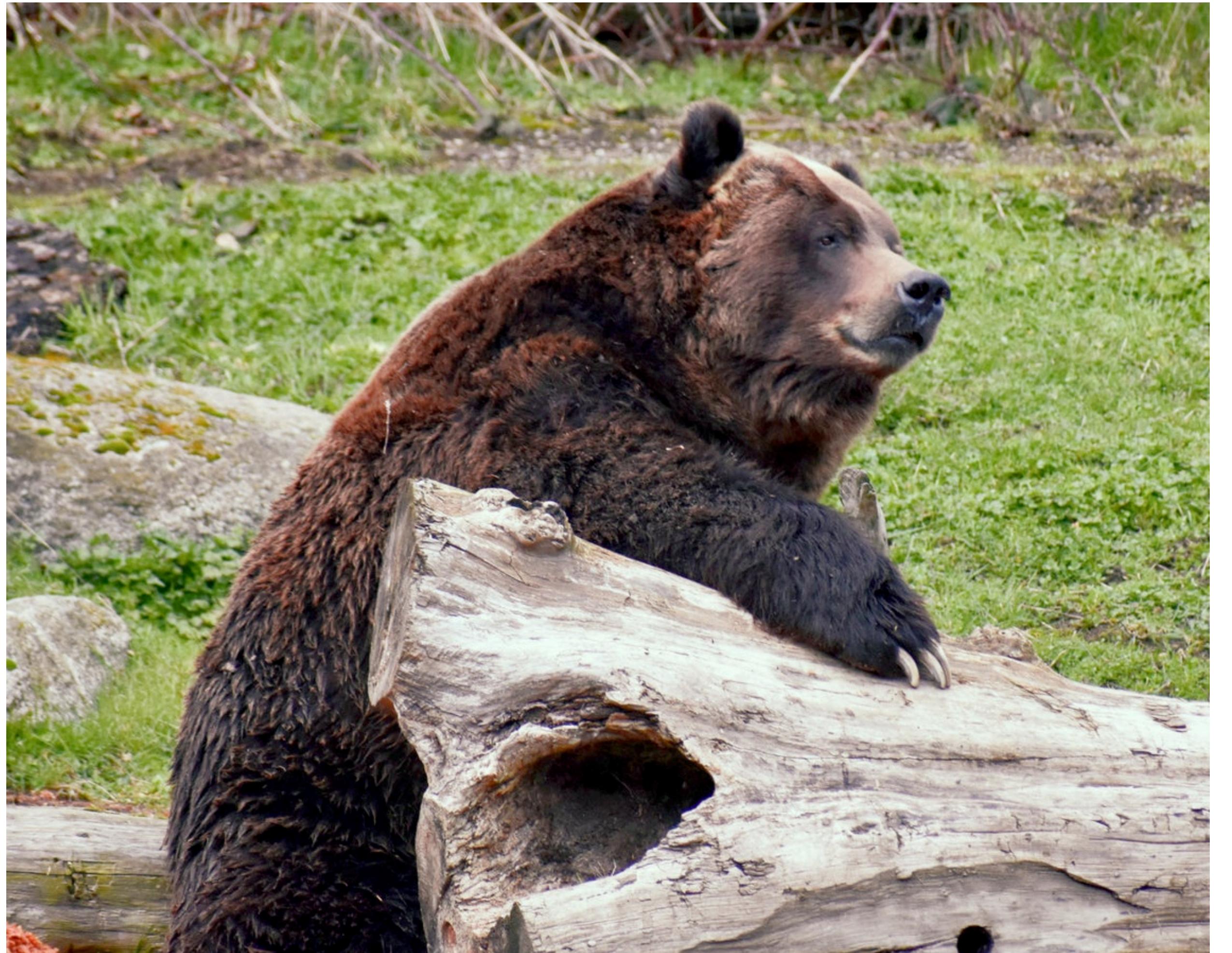
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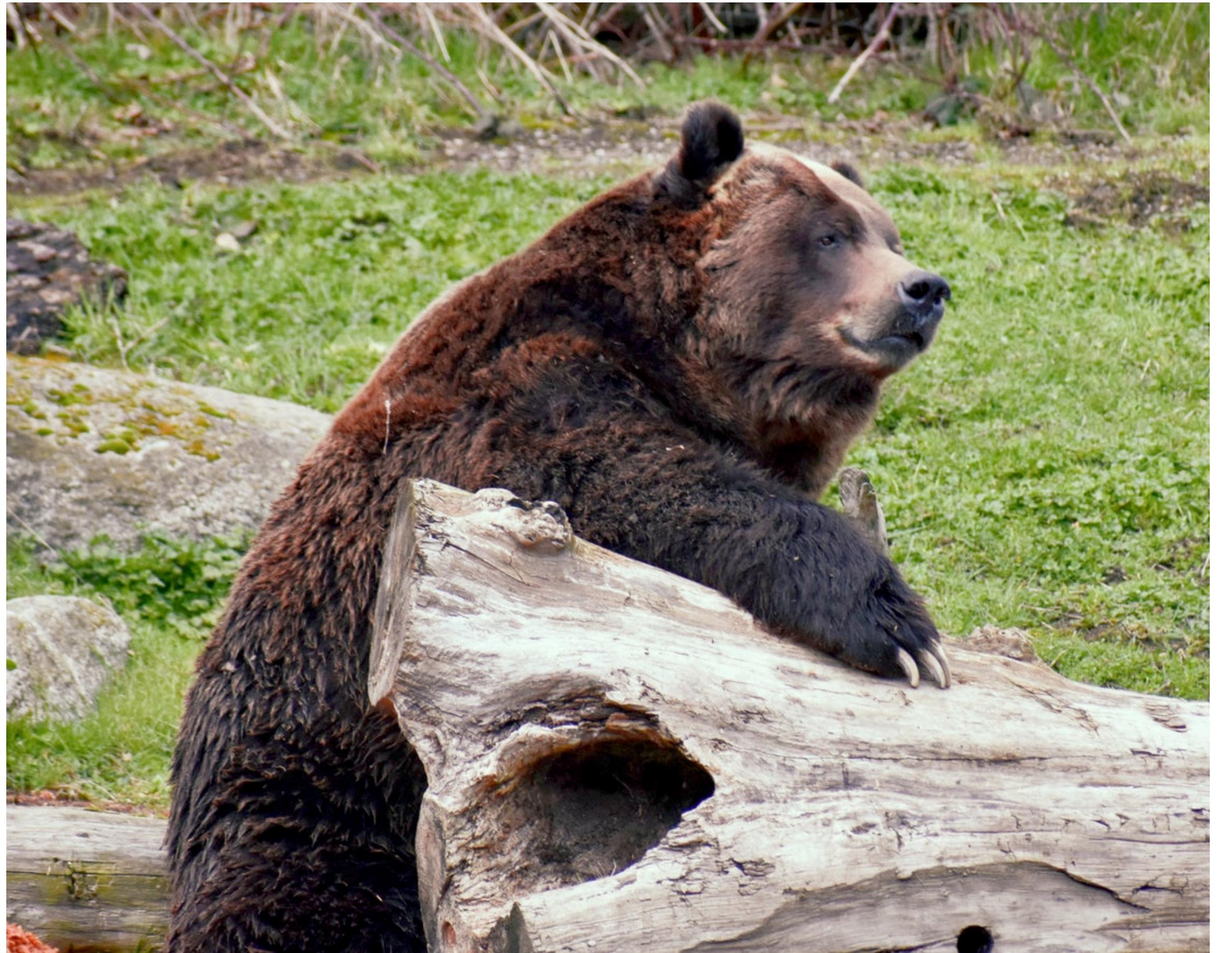
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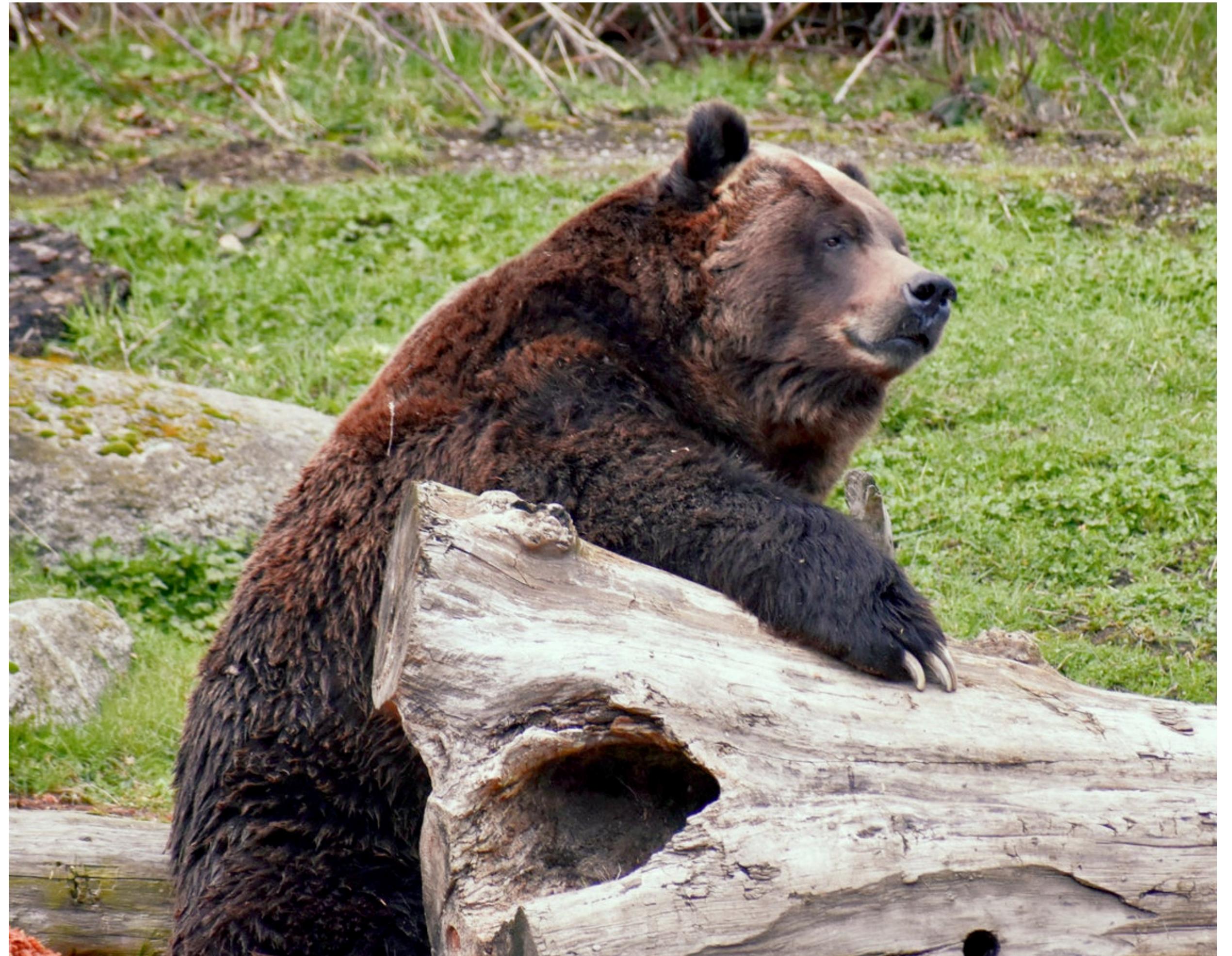
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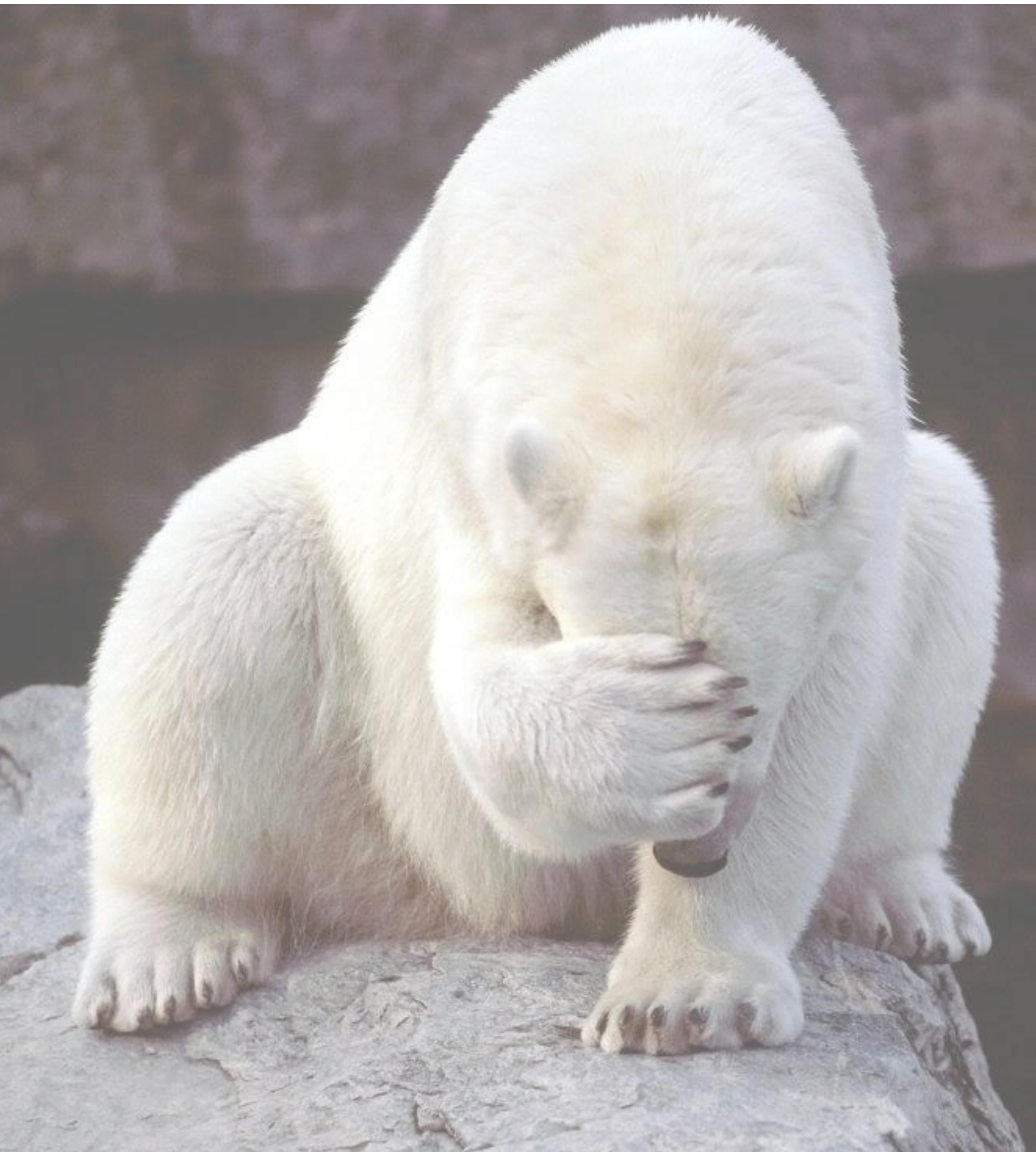
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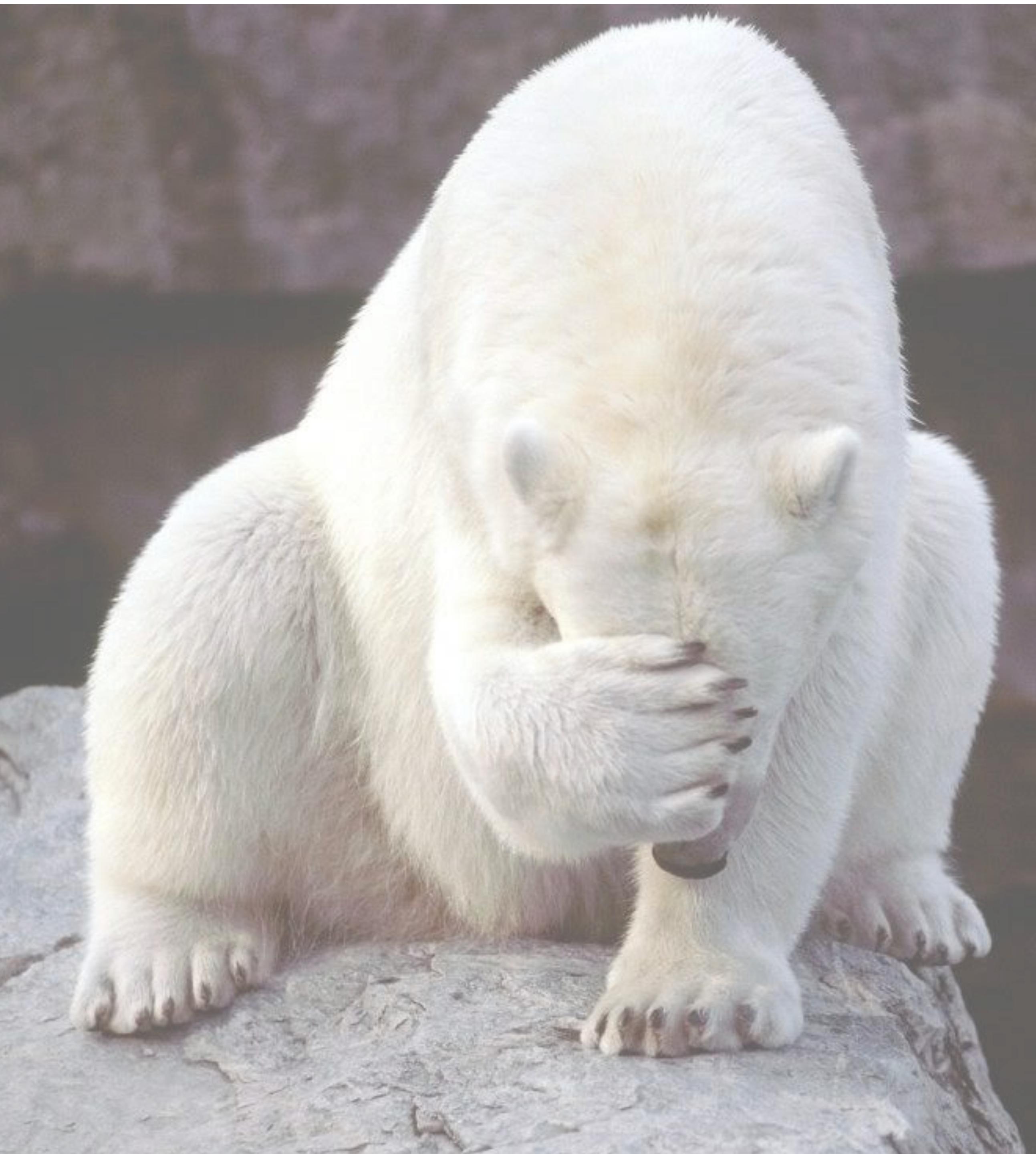
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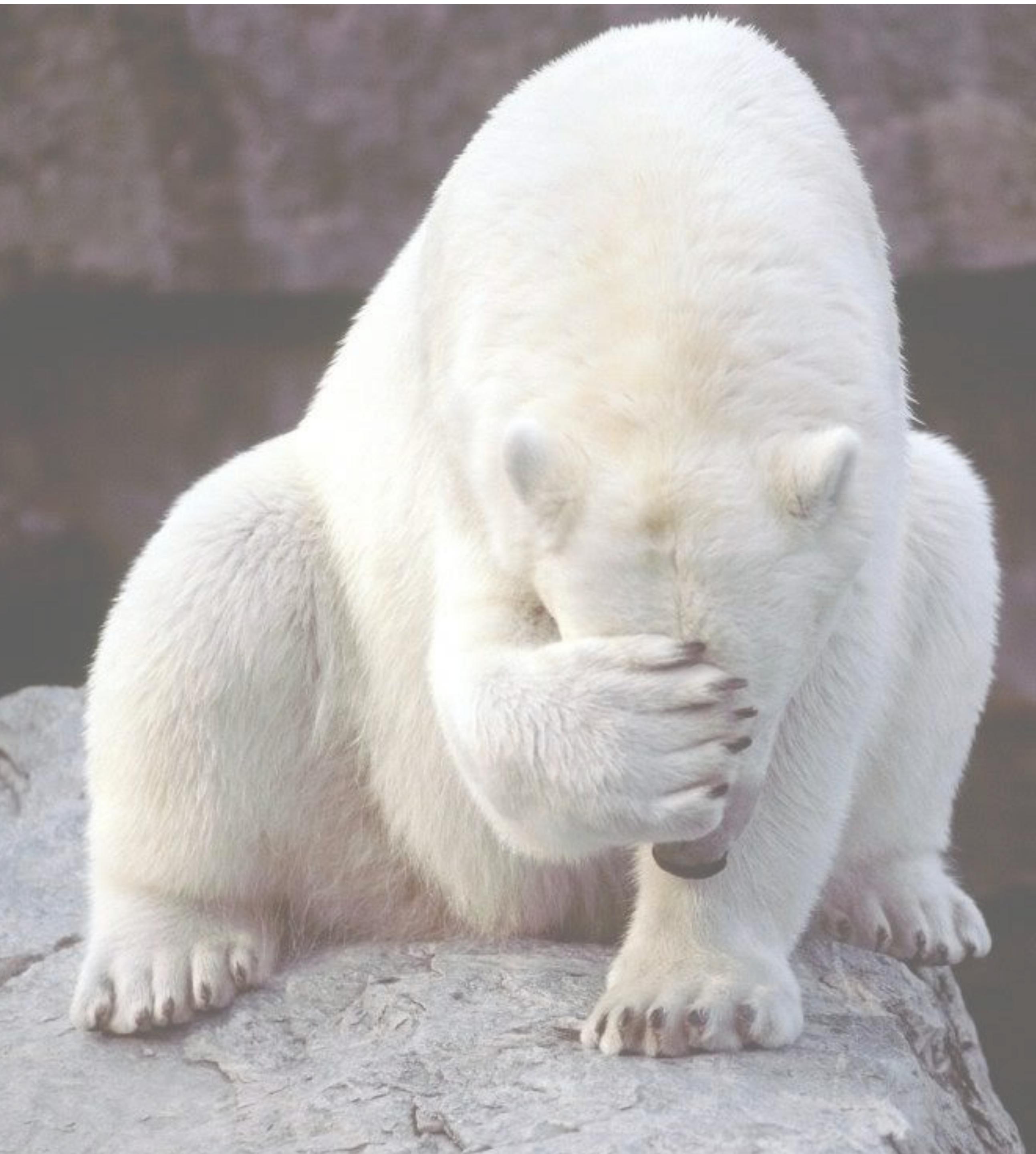
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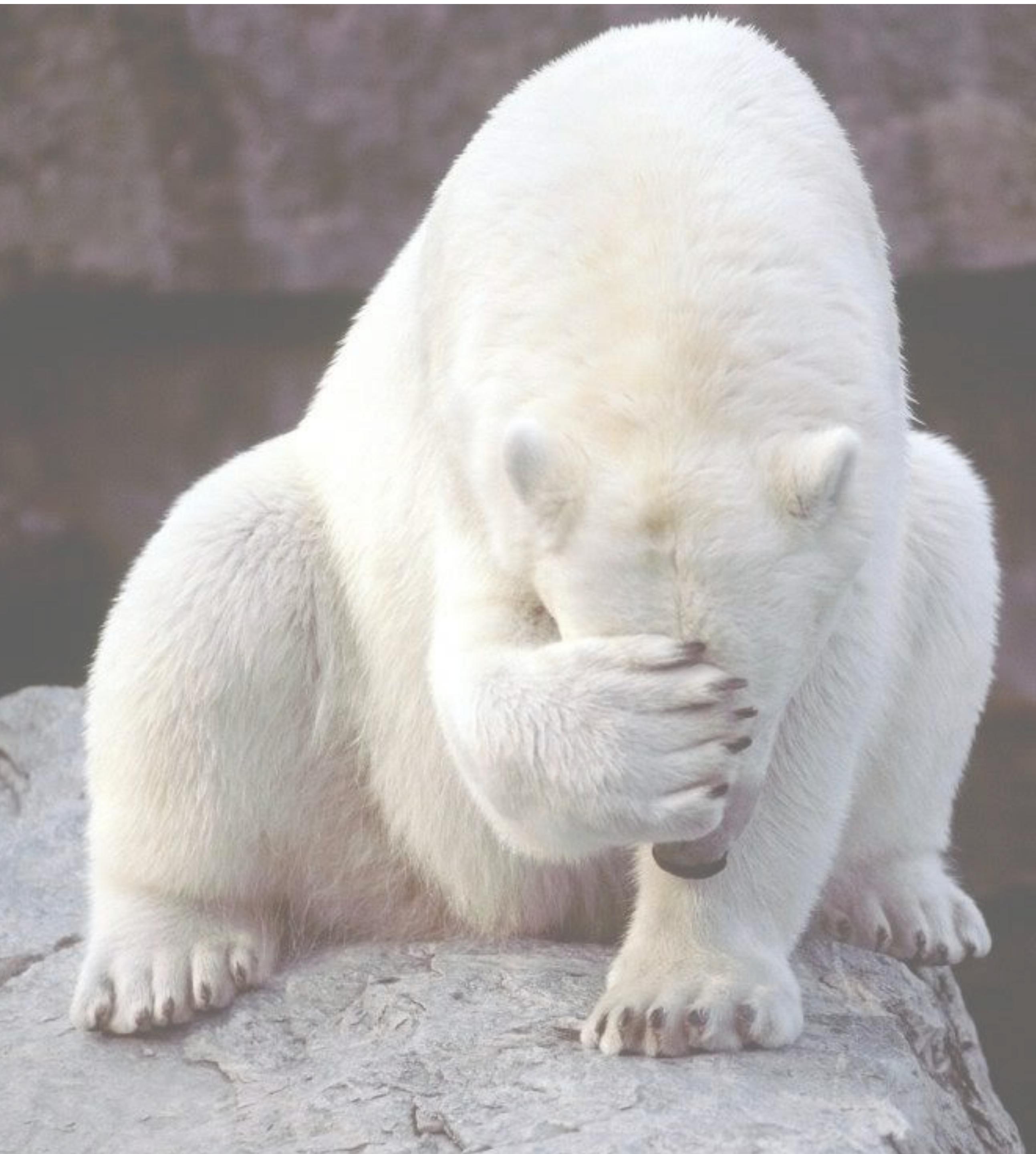
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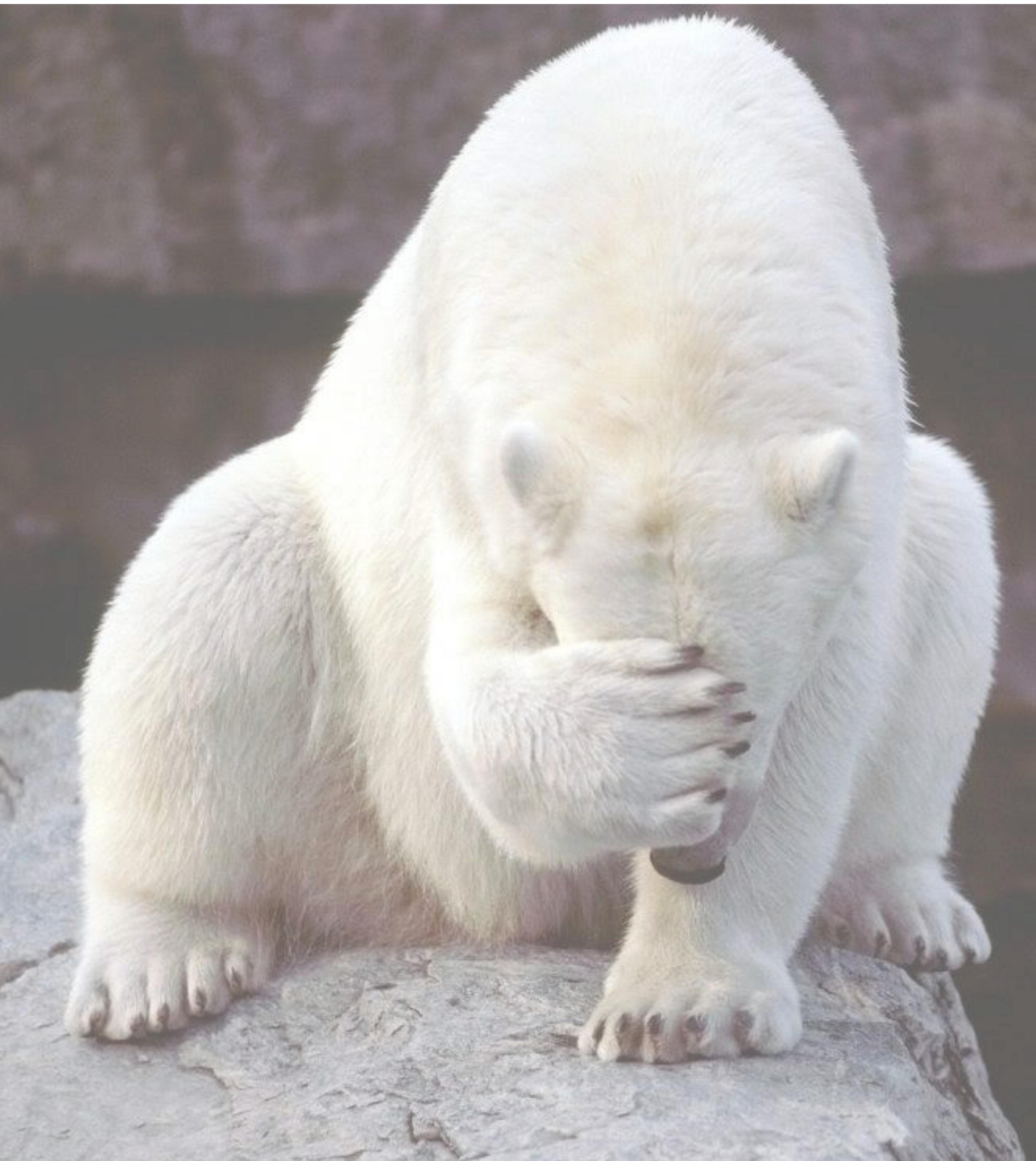
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# OPTIMIZING SENIOR PHASE

- Work hard, be healthy
- Show up on time
- Focus on collaborative skills (coding and communication)
- Be patient with yourself and others
- Learn and teach actively
- Have fun.