



This Man Needed Help,
So He Went on IRC

You Won't Believe What
Happened Next!

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It cuts down on:

- ❖ Trolling
- ❖ Griefing
- ❖ Harassment
- ❖ Generally being a jerk

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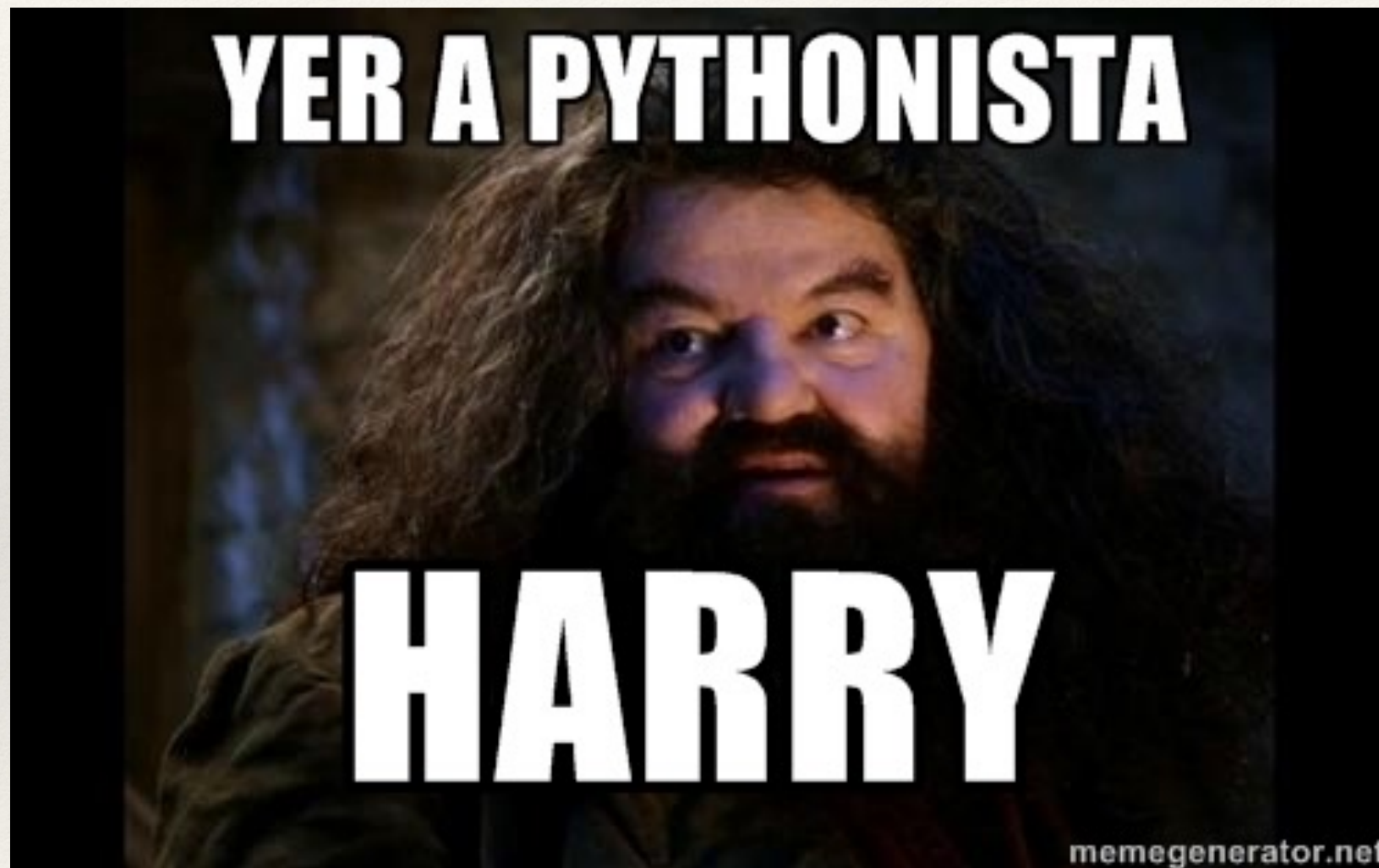
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Congratulations!



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