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# Harry Potter and the Philosopher's Stone

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A neighbourhood on a street called Privet Drive. An owl, sitting on the street sign flies off to reveal a mysterious appearing old man walking through a forest near the street. He stops at the start of the street and takes out a mechanical device and zaps all the light out of the lampposts. He puts away the device and a cat meows. The man, ALBUS DUMBLEDORE, looks down at the cat, which is a tabby and is sitting on a brick ledge.

**Dumbledore:**

McGonagall.

The cat meows, sniffs out and the camera pans back to a wall. The cats shadow is seen progressing into a human. There are footsteps and MINERVA MCGONAGALL is revealed.

**McGonagall:**

true, Albus?

**Dumbledore:**

**McGonagall:**

**Dumbledore:**

**McGonagall:**

important as this?

**Albus:**

There is a motor sound, and the two professors look up to see a flying motorcycle coming down from the air. It skids on the street and halts. A large man, RUBEUS HAGRID, takes off his goggles.

**Hagrid:**

**Dumbledore:**

**Hagrid:**

Bristol. Heh. Try not to wake him. There you go.

Hagrid hands a baby in a blanket over to Dumbledore.

**McGonagall:**

these people? I've been watching them all day. They're the worst sort of Muggles imaginable. They really are

**Dumbledore:**

They stop outside a house.

**McGonagall:**

world who doesn't know his name.

**Dumbledore:**

Until he is ready.

Hagrid coughs and sniffles, he is crying. He clears his throat.

**Dumbledore:**

all.

Hagrid nods. Dumbledore takes a letter and places it on the baby, who is now at the foot of the door. The baby has a visible lightning-bolt shaped scar on his forehead.

**Dumbledore:**

The camera pans into the scar and the opening title shows:

HARRY POTTER AND THE PHILOSOPHER'S STONE

Almost ten years after the: DURSLEY's home. The camera pans on a sleeping boy, almost eleven, with a lightning-bolt shaped scar on his forehead. There is a click, and knocking. Outside, a tall woman, PETUNIA DURSLEY, raps the door.

**Petunia:**

which is the boys bedroom}

A large, tubby boy, DUDLEY DURSLEY, suddenly comes running down the stairs above the closet. He stops half-way down and goes back, jumping on the staircase.

**Dudley:**

Dudley laughs, comes down the stairs and runs for the kitchen. The boy, HARRY POTTER, tries to come out of the closet, but is pushed back in by Dudley.

Petunia is in the kitchen, where Dudley has gone.

**Petunia:**

A larger man, VERNON DURSLEY, is sitting at the kitchen table.

**Vernon:**

Petunia and Dudley giggle together. Harry comes into the kitchen, dressed in rags.

**Petunia:**

anything.

**Harry:**

He sets to work.

**Petunia:**

day.