Another Harry Potter Logic Puzzle – Tricky: Walkthrough

1. Harry

My best friend is in the other corner of my row. Row 3 contains all the female people in the quiz, except for D1 and D5.

Ron has to be in E1 since it's a male.

2. Ron

All 4 maruaders are in the quiz, and a perfect rectangle could be drawn between them.

Hermione shares diagonals with her two best friends.

The 4 marauders are in the quiz.

Hermione has to be in C3 to share a diagonal with Harry and Ron.

3. Hermione

There are four non-humans in this quiz. I'm adjacent to three of them: 2 of Hagrid's pets and a house-elf. The other non-human is Hedwig. Ron is adjacent to his first girlfriend.

Hermione is adjacent to 2 of Hagrids pets and a house-elf. Hedwig is somewhere not adjacent to Hermione.

The only female spot adjacent to Ron to put Lavender is D1.

4. Lavender

Harry's father is in his column, but they're not adjacent. Ron's sister is on my diagonal.

James could be in A4 or A5, since hes not a female and can't be adjacent to Harry. Another marauder also has to be in Harry's column, because of the rectangle shape the marauders make.

Ginny is in B3, the only spot with a female on Lavender's diagonal.

5. Ginny

There are 3 people in Ron's column with names starting with P. The 3 main Dursleys are here, I'm above Vernon.

Dudley, Petunia and Vernon are in the quiz. Vernon is in B4.

6. Vernon

I'm not adjacent to my son, but Harry is. My son is also adjacent to the owl. There are no marauders in corners.

We can now place James, since marauders aren't in corners, James has to be in A4. We also now know the other marauder in the column is in A2. Dudley is in B1 or B2. Hedwig is adjacent to Dudley but not Hedwig, so Dudley and Hedwig are in some combination of B1/B2/C1.

7. James

I'm adjacent to my school-time nemesis.

All the corners were students when Harry started school.

Snape is adjacent to James. Snape's not female or a student when Harry started, he has to be in B5.

8. Snape

I'm adjacent to the caretaker, my favourite student, and Hagrid.

Snape is adjacent to Filch, Draco Malfoy and Hagrid. A student has to be in the corner so Malfoy is in A5.

9. Draco Malfoy

The beast that attacked me is on my diagonal. Its owner is here but not in my row. My old house-elf is here, adjacent to its hero.

Buckbeak is in D2, the only spot left on Draco's diagonal.

Hagrid isn't in Malfoy's row, but is adjacent to Snape. Filch is also adjacent to Snape, so Hagrid has to be in C4 and Filch in C5.

Dobby is here, we know the house-elf has to be adjacent to Hermione, and Draco indicates Dobby is also adjacent to Harry. Dobby is in B2.

10. Buckbeak

11. Hagrid

There are two Weasley boys in the quiz.

One is Ron, we don't know the other yet.

12. Filch

13. Dobby

I'm adjacent to four who I took to Shell cottage

Dobby took Harry, Ron, Hermione, Dean, Luna, Ollivander and Griphook to Shell Cottage. Griphook can't be in the quiz because Hermione's already indicated all the non-humans in the quiz. Dobby's already adjacent to Harry and Hermione, so is also adjacent to two out of Luna/Ollivander/Dean.

With Dobby placed we can now place Dudley, who has to be adjacent to Harry (Vernon's clue). Since A2 is a marauder, Dudley is in B1.

14. Dudley

There's a giant spider in this quiz

Aragog is the other one of Hagrid's pet is in the quiz. We know Hedwig has to be adjacent to Dudley, but she's not adjacent to Hermione, A2 is a marauder so Hedwig is in C1.

15. Hedwig

The spider is in Row 4

We can now also place Aragog. Aragog has to be adjacent to Hermione and in Row 4, so he can only be in D4.

We can also place Luna. Since A2 is a marauder, we know Dobby's other adjacents C2 and A3 are were taken to Shell cottage. C2 is female, so it has to be Luna.

16. Luna

There's a Slytherin prefect from the year above me in column D.

The Slytherin prefects in the year above Luna were Draco and Pansy Parkinson. Draco is already placed, Pansy is in D3 or D5.

17. Aragog

Tonks is adjacent to one of her husband's loyal school friends, and not adjacent to the traitor.

For the marauders to form a perfect rectangle, knowing that two are in A2 and A4, means the other two marauders are in E2 and E4.

Aragog's hint tells us Tonks is adjacent to a maruader that isn't Peter, and isn't adjacent to Peter.

Tonks can't be adjacent to James, his adjacents are full (A3 had to be someone who was taken to Shell Cottage). So Tonks is adjacent to Sirius. A2 is a marauder, but Tonks can't fit adjacent to that so A2 isn't Sirius, so Sirius is in Column E.

Ginny's clue told us that Ron has 3 people with names starting with P in his column (E). Since Sirius and Ron are in column E, everyone else has to have names starting with P. Tonks can't be in column E. This also tells us Peter is the other maruder in column E, and Lupin is in A2.

Tonks could be in D3 or D5, except if she's in D3 she'll be adjacent to the two marauders in Column E, and she can't be adjacent to Peter – so she's in D5.

This means Sirius is in E4, and Peter is in E2.

18. Lupin

19. Tonks

Since Tonks is in D5, the remaining spot left for Pansy is D3.

20. Sirius

21. Peter

22. Pansy

I'm adjacent to just one student in my cohort.

Pansy is already adjacent to Hermione, so C2 is not a student in Pansy's cohort. That rules out Dean, so Ollivander is in C2. Placing Pansy leaves one female spot left, we know Petunia is in the quiz, she's in C5.

23. Ollivander

24. Petunia

There's 2 Weasley brother's in the quiz (Hagrid's clue) – it has to be <u>Percy</u> in E5.

25. Percy