## R hr vs h hr essay



I have been of the firm belief that Ron and Hermione are going to be a romantic couple in the Harry Potter series, and Harry and Hermione are most decidedly NOT going to be a romantic couple. Though I could wax on about how likely they are because of how they are compatible, the evidence in the books etc. I am going to instead use the words of someone I trust to know just who will end up with whom: The Author herself, JK Rowling. - " I can't believe that some of you haven't worked this one out yet. "— When addressing the question 'Does Hermione love Ron or Harry' she replied, 'I can't believe that some of you haven't worked this one out yet. This statement from our beloved JKR points out something. Know what it is? \*stage whisper\* it's not exactly a secret... It's not some unfathomable mystery. It's not something hard to figure out. It's guite simple. She is baffled that it's up for debate. That having been said, here are the quotes I find significant: "Do Harry and Hermione have a date?" No! They're, they're very platonic friends. But I won't answer for anyone else, nudge, nudge, wink, wink. Because this quote was given to us on MPR radio on Nov. 20th 1999, many wish to believe that this ONLY refers to her (then) upcoming novel Goblet of Fire. GoF was published July 8th of 2000. ) Considering that she stated very clearly when she was referring to something that only applied to GOF in this interview, and the rest of the time was talking about the series as a whole (\*1) there is no authentic reason to believe this quote only referred to GOF other than desperately wanting it to. (I have yet to see anyone cite any kind of actual evidence that this quote only referred to GoF other than the possibility that it could. ) (If anyone has evidence, please do post it. ) She also infers that there is someone else who WILL have a date with Hermione and WILL NOT BE 'very platonic friends' with her. — The

phrase 'nudge, nudge, wink, wink' traditionally can be translated 'ya know what I mean? 'When someone says this, it means you already have the info, and should know that the person is hinting at something specifically. In this case the 'nudge, nudge, wink, wink' implies that we should already know who that other person is. — The thing is, as this is before GOF came out she couldn't be hinting at Krum, as we hadn't been introduced to him yet. Who was that 'nudge, nudge' referring to? Who was that 'anyone else' she '[wouldn't] answer for? ' Well, who else is Hermione friends with? Let's see... She seems to talk with Neville occasionally. And Hagrid... She's talked to Ginny... OH! WAIT A MOMENT! RON! Yes... yes, she does happen to be very good friends with Ron Weasley. Perhaps he is the ever elusive 'anyone else' that she won't speak for. He's the only person that it makes sense for her to be hinting at in such a way. That having been said, let us pretend for a moment that this quote only was referring to Goblet of Fire, just for the fun of it. If it did, that means that Hermione would be non-platonic friends with someone who was already established in the series. But wait! THAT never happened in GoF. She and Ron never dated in GOF. Also, if the quote only refers to GOF, then that also means that every bit of 'romantic evidence' there is to support H/Hr from that whole novel must be negated, as none of their actions are anything more than the platonic actions of a friend. The kiss she gave Harry was not romantic. It was platonic. When he found her to be attractive, it was not in a romantic way. It was in a platonic way. So, if you support H/Hr and believe that this quote only refers to GOF, then you can't say anything between Hermione and Harry in that book was romantic between the characters as they were platonic friends. \*1(Only 2 out of 21 or so questions had to do specifically with GOF, And it was very clearly

indicated when she was talking about GoF or not (as either the question would say 'in the next book' or she would say 'in Goblet of Fire') But then, there's this quote: Q: Does Hermione like Ron as more than a friend? A: The answer to that is in Goblet of Fire! Well, that means that from Hermione's actions in GOF we can tell whether she likes Ron as more than a friend or not. This also can tie into the 'Does Hermione love Harry or Ron' quote. According to JKR it is rather obvious. Also, Hermione either loves one or the other. If the answer to 'does she likes Ron as more than a friend or not' is in GOF, and we know for certain that in that book Hermione and Harry '[are] very platonic friends, but JKR 'won't answer for anyone else, nudge, nudge, wink, wink,' that means that someone in GOF is NOT a platonic friend. Someone who was already established in the series before GoF came out. That also means that someone who was already established in the series was to go on a date with Hermione. But wait! No one already established in the series had a date with Hermione. Does that mean the 'platonic friends' quote is NOT referring to only GoF!? That's right, all signs point to yes. By using our skills of logic, it means that this quote couldn't only refer to GoF. That means that for the whole series Harry and Hermione are nothing more than platonic friends. It also goes to mean that Ron and Hermione will be ' more than friends' and are not "very platonic friends." Here's another quote that ties into this: Q: Is it just me, or was something going on between Ron and Hermione during the last half of Goblet of Fire? A: "Yes, something's " going on," but Ron doesn't realize it yet. Typical boy. " This means that Hermione DID realise that something was 'going on' between them. So if there is something 'going on between them' and Hermione recognises this, and the answer to 'Does Hermione like Ron as more than a friend?' is in

GoF, and also let us remember that Hermione says " Next time there's a ball, ask me before someone else does, and not as a last resort! ' what logical conclusion does this lead you to? Well, logically, it must lead you to conclude that yes, Hermione DOES like Ron as more than a friend in GoF as there is 'something going on' between them that is not platonic, guote: JKR: and he, yes, he does have certain adolescent, umm, rites of passage happen to him. Couric: And he's snogging with Hermione? JKR: Hermione and Harry? Do you really think so? Couric: No, I'm kidding. JKR: Ron and Hermione, I would say, have... there's more... tension there And for those of you who would like to watch that snippet of the interview, you can go HERE When JKR states 'Hermione and Harry? Do you really think so?' that is a rhetorical question. Couric answers this question anyways with 'No, I'm kidding. 'JKR never rights her when she says 'No', so by not correcting Couric, she is either lying by omission, or Couric answered the rhetorical question correctly. JKR then goes on to mention Ron and Hermione. Why the heck would she do that? We were talking about Harry and Hermione, then for some unknown reason she mentions Ron and Hermione right after they were talking about snogging. She says they have 'more... tension there.' More tension where? Oh right, more tension when it comes to 'certain adolescent, umm, rites of passage' and 'snogging with Hermione.' So they have 'more tension there. 'Well here is the dictionary. com interpretation of the word ' tension': 1. Mental, emotional, or nervous strain. 2. Barely controlled hostility or a strained relationship between people or groups. Some nice synonyms for tension are: anxiety, apprehension, concern, disquiet, edginess, jitters, jumps, nerves, nervousness, pressure, restlessness, shakes, strain, suspense, unease, uneasiness, worriment, worry. Again, WHY oh WHY did JKR

mention RON when the question was about Harry and Hermione? If there were to be some 'snogging with Hermione' in the future, then she could have said something to the extent of 'you'll see' as she usually does when we're on the right track with question. Also, to compare this quote with another one: Question: Is Harry Potter ever going to fall in love with Hermione or is he going to fall in love with Ginny Weasley? JK Rowling: In Book IV Harry does decide he likes a girl, but it's not Hermione or Ginny. However, he's only 14, so there's plenty of time for him to change his mind. ? She mentions a mystery girl (who is obviously Cho) and which book it is that he decides he likes her in. With the Couric interview quote up there, she went on to mention RON. They are similarly structured in that she was asked about certain people, but instead of saying vay or nay for the people in the question, she mentioned a character that the interviewer didn't. Also, this parallels with the "Do Harry and Hermione have a date? No! They're, they're very platonic friends. But I won't answer for anyone else, nudge, nudge, wink, wink. " Quote. She is very direct and gives an all out NO, but then says there is someone else who will date Hermione and won't be platonic friends. The nudging and winking suggests that we already KNOW who it is, and as I said above, the only logical person would be Ron. Why should there be any tension between Hermione and Ron over snogging? Aren't they just good friends who have no romantic interest in eachother? Perhaps the reason there is 'tension' there is because there ARE romantic vibes coming from them. So, if you want to make the 'tension' quote not stand in the way of H/Hr, you must assume that JKR was 1) lying by omission 2) misleading us by mentioning Ron and Hermione 3) misleading us by saying there was more 'tension' in the area of snogging between Ron and

Hermione and 4) putting such an emphasis on SHIPPING that she had to resort to these fiendish tricks, because romance is one of THE most important things in the series. So, the conclusion we can reach is that either JKR purposefully misleads us in interviews only whenever she is talking about romance, OR we can reach the conclusion that JKR has no reason to mislead us, and was VERY straight forward in all her answers. small children: yaaaaaay!! Small child #1- But, Cambryn? Isn't there another quote? -Why yes there is, small child #1. Thank you for reminding me. The 'dreaded " everyone is in love with the wrong person," quote. Here's the quote: "Harry is changing as he's getting older. He and his friends are 14 now and their hormones are kicking in, so it's really fun to write about. Everyone's in love with the wrong person, it's brilliant. " full transcript can be found HERE This quote, seems to me, to be a very odd one, as I don't think that anyone was really 'in love' in GoF. Does anybody honestly think that Harry was 'in love' with Cho in GoF? LOVE is a word a bit too strong to use in this case. And unless Hermione and Krum are going to 'get together' in the future, the vague quote would apply to them. And Ron? Who was it he was lusting after so vehemently and constantly turning beat red and constantly trying to impress? It was Fleur. Some argue this negates R/Hr from happening in the future if you believe they were in love in GOF. The thing is, I DON'T believe Ron and Hermione were 'in love' in GoF. As JKR herself said 'something's " going on," but Ron doesn't realize it yet. Typical boy. ' If Ron can't recognise his own feelings, does that mean he's 'in love? I am of the firm belief that she was referring to Harry/Cho, Hermione/Viktor, Ron/Fleur when she said ' everyone's in love with the wrong person,' but think that LOVE was WAY too strong a word for that. Ron seems more taken with Fleur in an open romantic

manner than anyone else in GoF, BUT is VERY jealous of Krum's attention to Hermione (for some unfathomable reason, that is even a mystery to himself.) Also, considering the context of this quote (not a Q & A, but an article that simply quotes her) it's hard to know what her answer was in response to. This quote, out of all of the ones I've given, seems to have the least amount of credence due to her using the word love to refer to feelings that don't really constitute love, the article isn't showing her response in context, and it is very vague by using the word 'everyone' along with 'Harry and his friends are 14 now. 'Does that mean that everyone who was fourteen and a friend of Harry's was in love with the wrong person? To take it literally means that it applies to Neville, Parvati, Lavender, Dean, Seamus, Padma and any other 14 year old who is a friend of his in the book. I doubt she meant ALL of them. This was a throwaway comment that is very unclear as to whom it applies and which relationships constitute being 'in love.' Conclussion: The quotes JKR has supplied us with are straight forward answers that clearly indicate R/Hr as a possibility, and do not indicate H/Hr as a possibility, unless JKR has lied in her previous interviews and feels H/Hr is so important that she must use R. Hr as a red herring, even in interviews.