

THE HERO'S JOURNEY IN 6 POPULAR MOVIES





REFUSAL OF THE CALL

Harry doesn't believe that he could be a real wizard.

Luke is reluctant to accept Obi-Wan's offer.

Neo talks to Trinity but isn't sure if it's a dream.

Peter uses his powers to win matches at an underground wrestling ring for cash.

Simba, scared and alone, retreats to the desert.

Frodo is reluctant to leave the life he knows.

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MEETING WITH THE MENTOR



Gandalf introduces Frodo to the Fellowship of the Ring.

Timon and Pumbaa introduce Simba to life in the jungle.

Uncle Ben advises Peter that "with great power comes great responsibility."

Morpheus tells Neo to take the red pill (shows truth) or the blue pill (return to old life.)

Obi-Wan Kenobi gives Luke his father's lightsaber and offers to train Luke to be a Jedi.**

Hagrid takes Harry to Diagon Alley, where Harry purchases his school equipment.

** This step happens before the refusal of the call in Star Wars only.



MEETING WITH THE MENTOR



CROSSING THE FIRST THRESHOLD

Harry learns about his parents' death at the hands of Lord Voldemort.

Luke accompanies Obi-Wan to Alderaan to deliver the plans for the Death Star to Leia's father.

Neo chooses the red pill and wakes up from the Matrix.

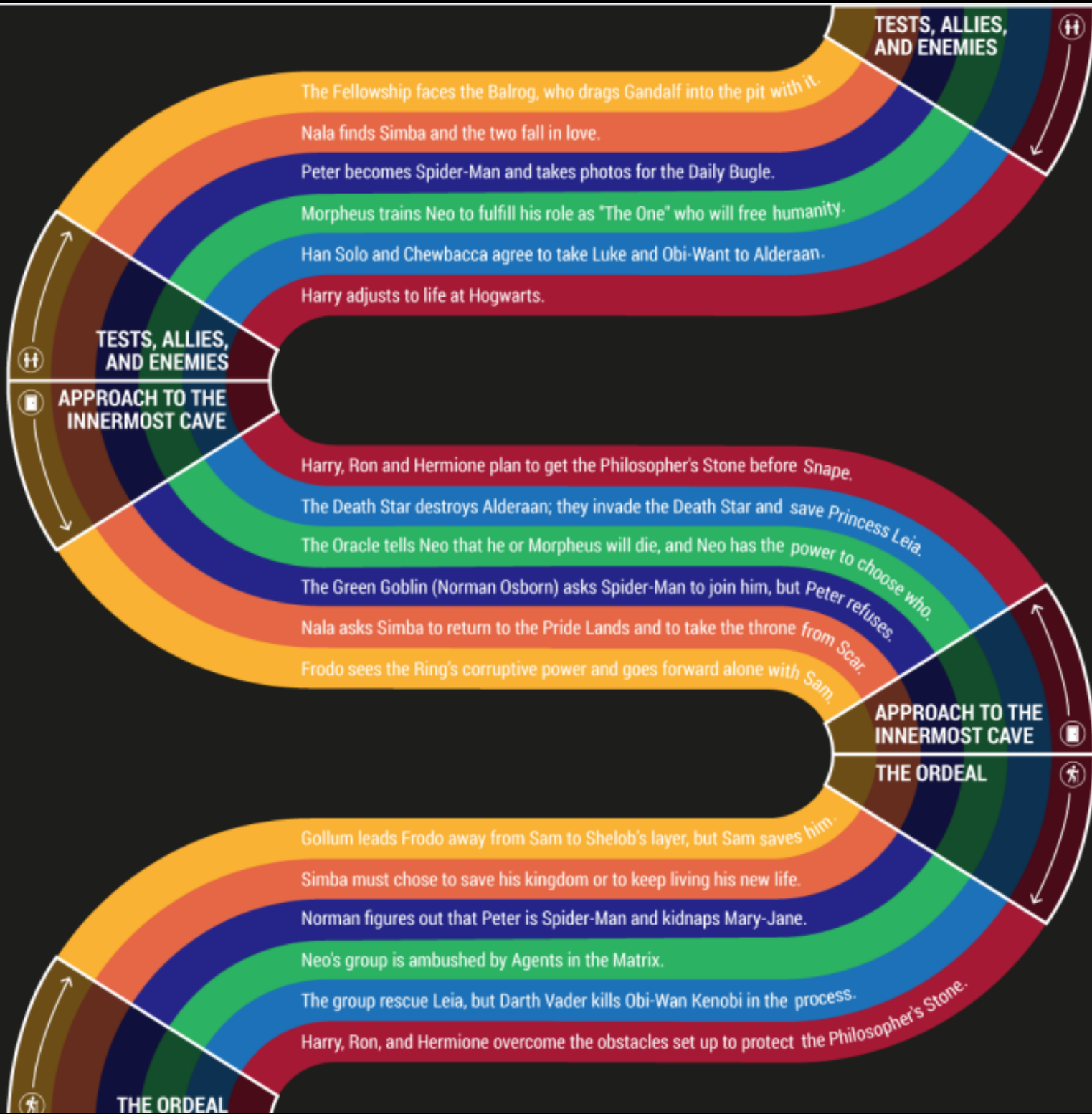
Peter stops Uncle Ben's killer and realizes he must use his powers to stop crime.

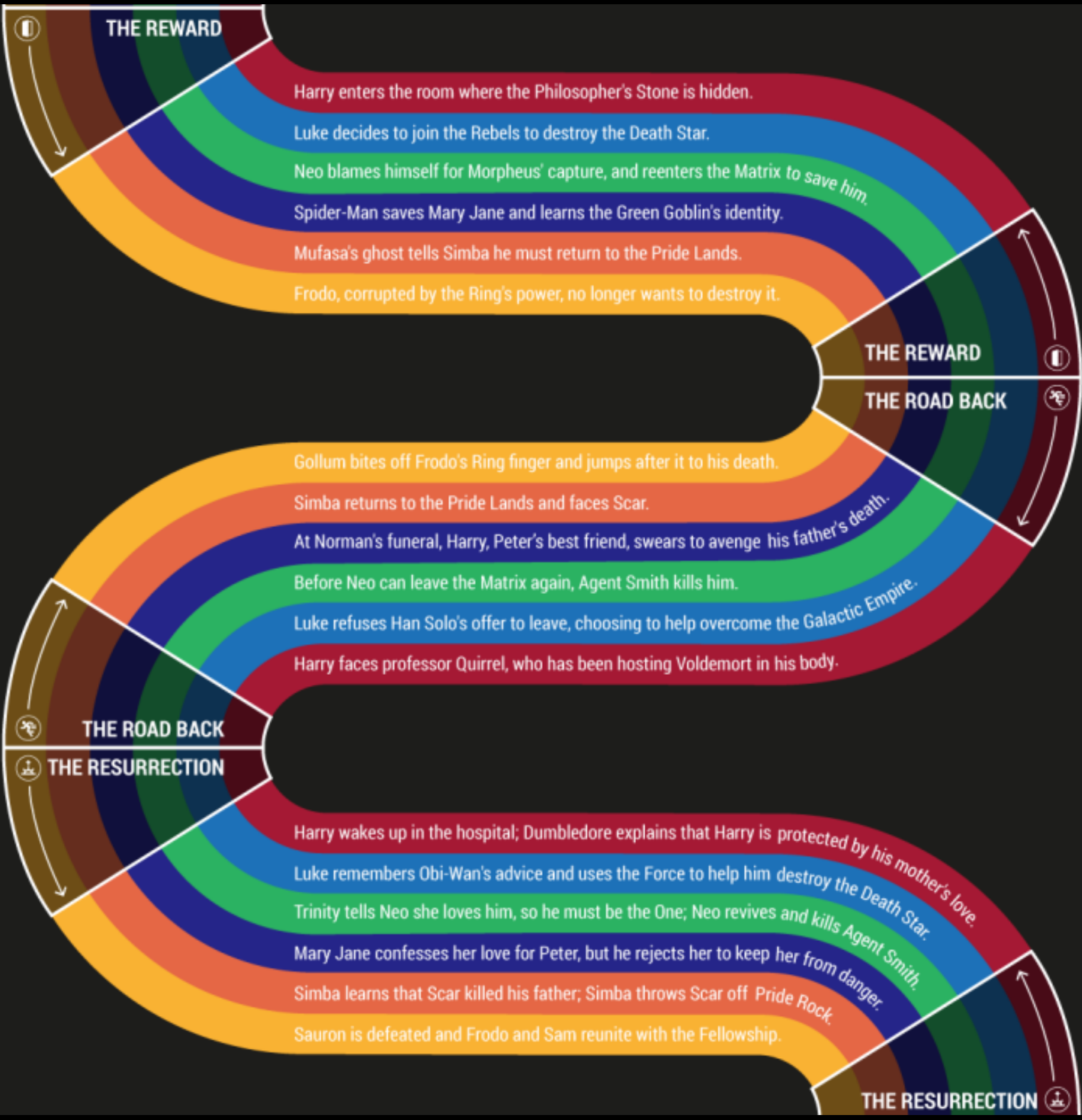
Simba embraces the "hakuna matata" life and lives with Timon and Pumbaa.

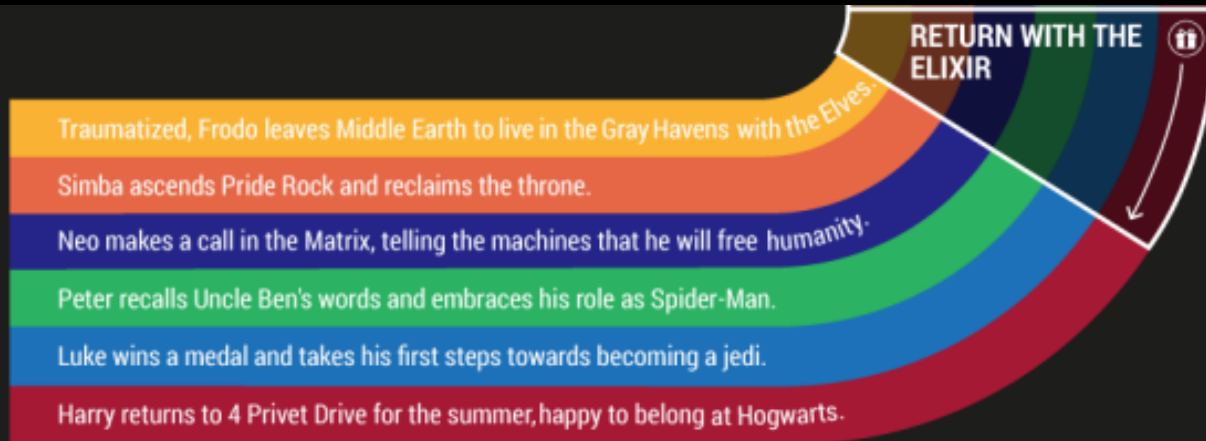
The Fellowship set off on their journey to Mount Doom.

CROSSING THE FIRST THRESHOLD









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