

Solution to Drop Quote

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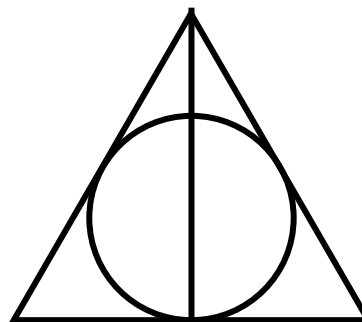
This is a cross between a drop quote puzzle and a rebus. Start by figuring out what word each picture represents. These are components of a rebus. Red means subtraction, whereas black means addition (just as in accounting). The columns are scrambled, so drop them in the grid below in such a way to form phrases with traditional rebus rules.

	ROLL	RA	TOM		IN
AT	EGGS	CIRCUS	ANT		ON
DOH	O	RHO	TOP		LEG
EYE	PAN	GEL	US	ELF	TWO
SINE	ROBOT	L	FRY	TRON	BAT
SCROLL	ANGEL	TUT	GULL	SEAL	C

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EYE	ANGEL	GEL	GULL		IN
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	PAN	TUT	ANT		LEG
SINE	EGGS		TOP		2
	ROBOT	RHO	TOM		

The words sound out the following phrase:

- DOH - O + RA = **DRAW**
- TRON - ON + EYE + ANGEL - GEL + GULL = **TRIANGLE**
- IN + SCROLL - ROLL + L + FRY - ELF + BAT - AT = **INSCRIBE**
- CIRCUS - US + SEAL - C = **CIRCLE**
- PAN + TUT - ANT = **PUT**
- LEG + SINE - EGGS = **LINE**
- TOP = **TOP**
- TWO = **TO**
- ROBOT - RHO + TOM = **BOTTOM**



The full phrase reads, **DRAW TRIANGLE, INSCRIBE CIRCLE, PUT LINE TOP TO BOTTOM**. If you do this, the resulting symbol is known from the final Harry Potter book (a fact hinted from the flavor text): **DEATHLY HALLOWS**.