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"Ron! You're not drinking!"

Ron glanced at Harry and held up his empty glass, a forlorn expression on his face. "We're out of tequila."

"I think there's more in the kitchen pantry," Harry said, flumping down on a plush ottoman, the lurid green liquid in his own glass sloshing over the edges. "Yeah, you should go check on the tequila."

"Might want to cut back on the Avada Coladas, mate," Ron suggested. "I'll be back with the tequila in a minute."

Ron wove his way through the throng of revelers. Harry's Hallowe'en costume party was certainly well-attended. Most of the Order had shown up, in addition to old classmates, co workers, and if Ron wasn't mistaken, most of the Holyhead Harpies. Not that he could really tell who was who, not with most of the masks and costumes.

He had to nudge his way past Slughorn-as-Emperor Nero at the buffet and reprimand a pair of scantily-clad wood nymphs who were checking out the contents of the kitchen cupboards, but he finally reached his destination.

Through the kitchen pantry door were wonders untold. Namely, more alcohol. Ron stood with his hand on the door lever, the noise of the party fading in his perception, replaced by the dulcet tones of an angelic choir as he depressed the lever to open the door.

He thought he heard a scream and a shout, but as two people fell through the pantry door and knocked him to the floor, he smacked his head on the tile floor and was out cold.

When Ron came to, a concerned Ginny was kneeling next to him, Draco standing behind her.

"Whahappened?" he mumbled, trying to sit up.

"No, Ron, don't move. Harry's Flooing St Mungo's for a medic; you hit your head pretty hard," Ginny said soothingly. "Um, Draco and I were in the pantry, leaning against the door. We fell through and knocked you down."

Ron groaned, closing his eyes again. "Let me guess, you weren't just seeing about the tequila."