

'Get Over Yourself': 'Harry Potter' Star Defends Author J.K. Rowling

The actor who plays Hagrid in the *Harry Potter* series has come to novelist J.K. Rowling's defense, telling anyone outraged by her comments on transgenderism to "get over yourself."

During a recent interview with Radio Times, actor Robbie Coltrane bemoaned the oversensitivity of the "Twitter generation," admitting he can't understand why so many people have been offended by Rowling's comments on sex and gender.

"I don't think what she said was offensive, really," he said. "I don't know why, but there's a whole Twitter generation of people who hang around waiting to be offended. They wouldn't have won the war, would they? That's me talking like a grumpy old man, but you just think, 'Oh, get over yourself. Wise up, stand up straight, and carry on.'"

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"I don't want to get involved in all of that because of all the hate mail and all that [expletive], which I don't need at my time of life," added Coltrane.

Over the summer, Rowling drew the ire of many a social justice warrior when she argued, quite logically, the radicalized transgender movement could lead to the erasure of womanhood. Scientifically, there are only two sexes.

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