

GRADBERT

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LOOK AT ALL THE KEEN NEW GRAD STUDENTS...



YEAH... PART OF ME FEELS ENERGIZED BY THEIR OPTIMISM, AND PART OF ME JUST FEELS OLD.



OH, I CAN BE MUCH MORE SPECIFIC...

25% OF ME WANTS TO RUN AROUND YELLING "STOP! DON'T DO IT! IT'S NOT TOO LATE! YOU'RE WASTING YOUR LIFE! JUST LEAVE!"

3/17ths OF ME FEELS OLD TOO...



BUT MORE OF A 'CREEPY DIRTY OLD MAN' OLD... 'CAUSE I WANT TO PLAY "DOCTOR" WITH THOSE CUTE PH.D. HOPEFULS...

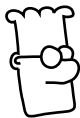


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HALF OF ME IS JUST JEALOUS: I WISH I WAS AN OPTIMISTIC KEENER AGAIN.



THERE'S PROBABLY FIVE PERCENT OF ME (SOMEWHERE) THAT WANTS TO BE A HELPING HAND AND A MENTOR...



I'M AFRAID TO ASK: THE REMAINING ER... 2.3% OF YOU?



AND 1/8th OF ME WANTS TO WARN THEM THAT THEIR RESEARCH DATA IS GOING TO GET UGLY AND THE THE WORLD ISN'T FULL OF PERFECT DATA SETS FOR THEM TO ANALYZE!