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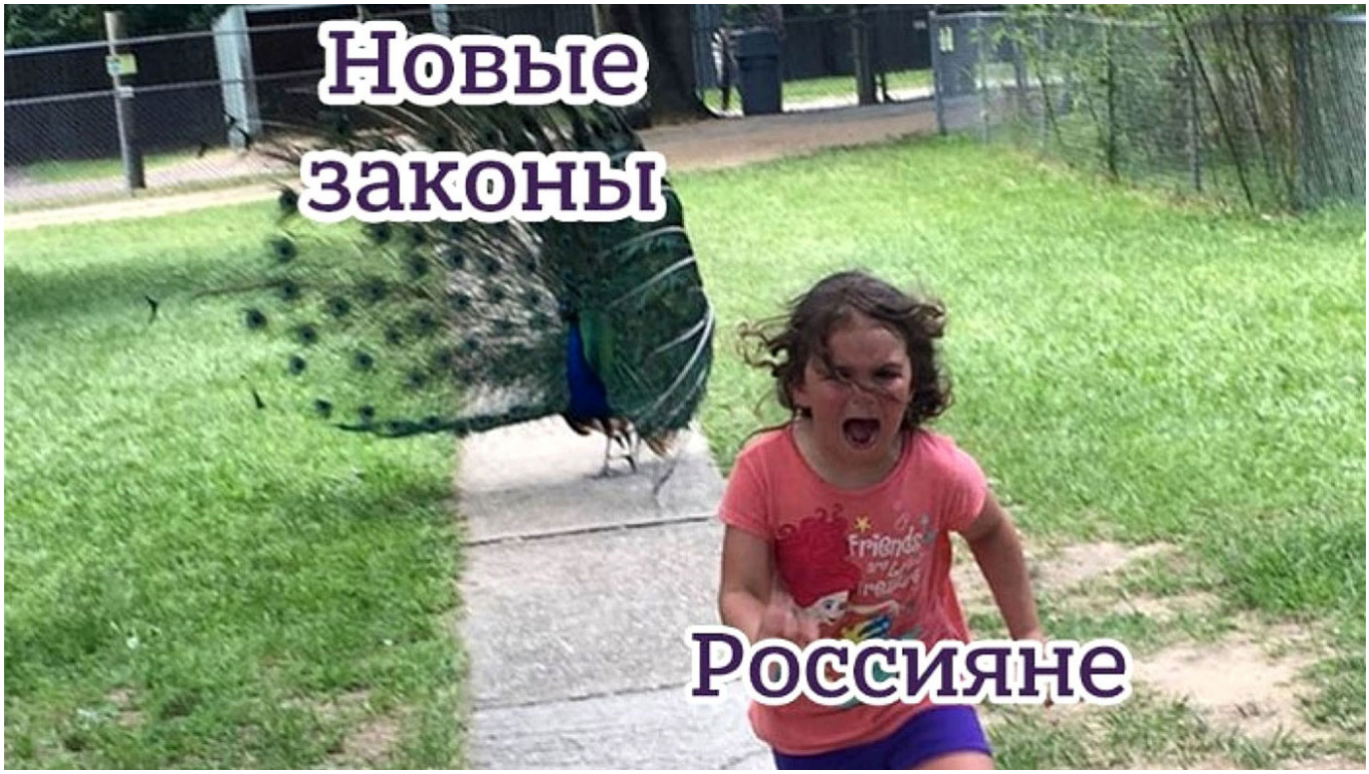
What Do You Meme?

Memes are Russians' outlet for outrage, protest, and despair

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Six months into the invasion of Ukraine, Russia's political and economic life has changed significantly. New repressive laws forbid Russians from calling the war in Ukraine a "war," the government blocks websites and social media and large companies have left the country. Protests are impossible. With little space to speak out freely, Russians have turned to comedy to reflect the current situation. The Moscow Times compiled some of the most popular memes from social media and cartoonists.



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