

Total Recall Review
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This review will talk about the movie “Total Recall” that released the 15th of August 2012 in France. Firstly I'm gonna talk a little about the director and actors of the film, secondly I'll try to do a brief recap of the history and finally I'll give my opinion about the film.

Total Recall is a very old films of science fiction that has first been released in 1990 by Paul Verhoeven with, amongst other things, Arnold Schwarzenegger, Sharon Stone, ...

The Total Recall that has been released in 2012 and directed by Len Wiseman is a “remix” of the old one with new technologies of special effects and important changes on the script like the fact that the action take place on Earth and not on Mars for example.

The story of the film take place in the future, in 2048, when Earth has been devastated by nuclear war and separated in 2 parts : one part with bureaucrat and rich people in Europe and the other one with workers and poor in Australia. Each part of the Earth is connected each other by a giant elevator able to pass through the center of the Earth.

The film follow the life of Douglas Quaid, a worker frustrated of his life in a factory where he has to build robots for the army. One day, he decided to spice up his life by using the service of “Total Recall”, a company that can implant remembrance in your mind. And here is the beginning of the story, when “Total Recall” has decided to implement the memory of a life of espionage. Suddenly the police came in and tried to arrest Douglas for no reason. What's real? What really are the memories of Douglas? Here are the questions ...

In my opinion, I really appreciate the movie. The scenario is very uncommon and force you to question yourself during the entire film about what's happening, is it his real memories? etc... Besides the aspect science fiction really well exploited with a lot of actions and drama, the film also question you a lot about philosophical questions such as social inequalities, due to the separation of the Earth because of war for example...

To conclude, I really recommend this film to all the amateurs of science fiction and original scenario. This movie of 2 hours isn't a lost of time and if I could do a comparison, I would compare it to Inception, one of my favorite films that I recommend too.

The Hobbit
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This review will talk about the movie “The Hobbit, An Unexpected journey” released the 12th of December 2012 in France.

The Hobbit is an adaptation of the book written by J.R.Tolkien, one of the first book written about the story of the middle earth. This film tells the story of Bilbon Baggins, a hobbit from the Shire, traveling with a group of dwarfs to the kingdom of Erebor that has been slaved by Smaug, a powerful dragon. During his trip, he will meet Gollum and take possession of the ring of power of Sauron, the origin of “The Lord of The Ring”.

In my opinion, this film isn't bad but could be way more better than it is currently. It's a good film with some humor but, unlike The Lord of The Ring, this film lacks of action and is a way too much turned for children in my opinion. Moreover, I was really disappointed when I knew that the film would be divided in 3 parts, like The Lord of the Ring, when the book of the Hobbit is approximately fives times smaller than the 3 books of The Lord of the Ring.

Anyways there is good points on the film, like musics and humor as I said before.

To conclude, I would recommend this movie to people that aren't fan of the world of Tolkien even if I didn't like it. On the other side, I won't recommend it for those who red the book.