

Film Title and Release Date: *The Time Machine* (2002)

Film Length: 95 Minutes

Film Genre: Sci-Fi/Action

Reviewer Name and Grade: Michael E., 8th Grade

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This film was a fictional movie as it is a Sci-Fi/Action movie. Being this movie is fictional, the setting is in New York City. The events took place in 1899, 1903, 2030, 2037, and 802,701. The film begins with a professor in engineering at Columbia University named Dr. Alexander Hartdegen, who is pursuing pure research than working in the world of business like one of his friends. When a mugger kills his fiancée, Dr. Alexander Hartdegen begins to build a time machine to reverse the actions. He comes to realize that he can't alter the past due to the fact that another accident will happen that will kill his fiancée. He then travels to 2030 only to realize that he can't go in the past and when he travels into 2037, he is knocked unconscious and suddenly travels to 802,701. He learns that Earth is being healed after the moon shattered and humanity was split into two groups. The groups are called Eloi and Morlocks. While Dr. Alexander was there, he met the Uber-Morlock. When he explains the truth to Alexander, he decides to go back to his time. Instead, the Uber-Morlock follows him into the machine and rapidly dies due to him being outside the machine and aging throughout the time periods. Even though he couldn't save the one he loved, he still helped the future and studied it in the end. Dr. Alexander Hartdegen is an intelligent, explorer, and adventurous guy. Mara is an adventurous and fearless young Eloi woman. Uber-Morlock is a dangerous, ferocious creature.

How did you find the film on Kanopy (by title search, subject search, casual browsing, etc.)?

I found this movie by going to the subject search option on Kanopy.

Did the plot keep you interested?

Yes, because it kept me interested to keep watching it and kept me wondering what would happen next.

Was the pace of the film too fast, too slow, or just right?

It felt just right because with the new technology, anything is possible.

What grade level(s) is this film appropriate for?

The grade levels 7-12 are appropriate for this movie.

Rating:

4 stars: I enjoyed this film and found it worthwhile to watch. There were a lot of good things to watch like the time period it took place in. The characters had really good personalities to watch. The only gripe I have with this movie is the lack of characters added into the movie. Otherwise, it was a pretty good movie.