

Film Title and Release Date: *The Little Prince* (2015)

Length of Film in Minutes: 107 minutes

Film Genre: Musical/Family

Reviewer Name and Grade: Yaseen V., 9th Grade

Date Reviewed: August 11, 2020

The Little Prince, based on the 1943 classic book tells the story of an aviator forced to make an emergency landing in the Sahara Desert. From there, he is befriended by a young boy, who is later revealed as the Little Prince. In the days that follow, The Pilot hears about his past and other very perilous and dangerous journeys and adventures throughout the galaxy. As The Pilot travels through space, the Little Prince encounters several strange grown-ups in strange places, which were revealed to be “planetoids”. He eventually got into a large battle with the grown-ups which The Pilot was at his side. The duel is incredibly precarious and savage. This massacre led to The Little Prince’s downfall, and almost killed him. Although The Pilot tried his absolute best to aid The Little Prince to keep him alive, he disappeared out-of-the-blue in the morning. Soon after, The Pilot is made aware that The Little Prince was nothing but a mirage, and never existed in the first place. Soon after this whole incident, The Pilot starts his plane and tries to fly away but hears the laughter of the Little Prince in the starry night; he believes the boy has returned to space. Ultimately, the main theme of The Little Prince is the importance of looking beneath the surface to find the real truth and meaning of a thing. It is the grown-ups who teach the Prince to see with one's heart instead of just with one's eyes. Unfortunately, most adults have difficulty doing this.

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

I found this film by casually browsing on Kanopy in its kids section.

Did the plot (for a fictional movie) keep you interested?

Yes, the plot of this movie is especially interesting because it shows an adult having an imagination and going on adventures with the Little Prince, which is not often shown in movies. *Was the pace of the film too fast, too slow, or just right?*

I believe the pace of this film was at a perfect pace and allowed the relationships between all the characters to develop organically and prevent it from feeling rushed.

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

I think this movie is perfect for ages ten and up because although the plot is geared for children, the messages and overall themes underlying within the film are important.

5 stars: I'm really glad I watched this film; it was awesome!

For a book like the Little Prince, it is the best film that can ever be made. Although the cast members are people who represent the animals, they are very appealing and sell their characters incredibly well. Overall, I loved the storyline of this movie and how the Little Prince and the Aviator helped one another solve their own problems, together.

Reviewer Name and Grade: Emre G., 9th Grade

Date Reviewed: March 22, 2021

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Sara, and he never stopped wondering about things. Sara was heartbroken when the old man passed away, and she went to his backyard to try to start the plane. The world enters a dream-like state and Sara flies into space with Mr. Fox, who came alive when she started the plane. Sara and Mr. Fox controlled the plane together as they went on an adventure through the stars. They were going to find The Little Prince.

How did you find the film on Kanopy?

How I found the film was I was searching for good adventure movies and this one piqued my interest.

Did the plot keep you interested?

Yes, the plot did keep me interested. The story got better every second as the story developed. My eyes were especially glued to the screen when Sara finally found The Little Prince working as a roof cleaner, and tried to get him to remember all of the adventures he had when he was young.

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

The pace of the film was just right, the plot moved forward smoothly and there were no road bumps in the story.

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

Recommended grade level that is appropriate for this film would be any grade, especially elementary schoolers. This film has little violence and it immerses the viewer in a world of fantasy, which is perfect for a younger audience.

Rating:

I would rate this film 4 stars. It wasn't perfect, but I'm absolutely glad I watched it. I loved the fantasy aspect of the story, and especially the final scene of the movie where The Little Prince finally got his memories back, and went back to being a kid. Sara helped The Little Prince realise that growing up isn't about the end, but it's about your journey through life. The reason I didn't give this movie a perfect 5 stars, is because there was no character development with any of the characters except for Sara. Other than the main protagonist, the author just kept throwing in different characters and barely ever mentioning them unless they were needed to keep the story going, or to help Sara advance to meet The Little Prince. Other than this small detail, I loved the movie and would absolutely recommend it, especially to fantasy lovers

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Reviewer Name and Grade: Karan S., 9th Grade

Date Reviewed: March 30, 2021

The film, *The Little Prince*, is an animated film of an elderly man who retired as an aviator and tells a young girl the story of the Little Prince. The young girl is the daughter of a young mother who moved to a new neighborhood and enrolled her daughter into the renowned Werth Academy. Along with telling the girl the story of the prince, the girl has fun with the neighbor which isn't brought by her mother and the assignments given to her.

Through multiple obstacles for the girl and the aviator, the girl is still interested in the Little Prince story. So much so that she even goes in search of the Little Prince. However, she falls into the yard of her neighbor and goes unconscious. From waking up, she flies her neighbor's plane into space and reaches Asteroid B-612. She even finds the Little Prince, but he has no recollection of his past. She and the Little Prince stop the Businessman on the Asteroid B-612, a sinister teacher, and return home.

The girls' mother can be characterized as strict and ambitious because the mother doesn't give her daughter much attention or fun. The young girl can be characterized as determined and curious because she is more curious about the Little Prince than her assignments. The neighbor can be characterized as fun and caring, because the neighbor has fun with the young girl, and tells her the story of the Little Prince. The Little Prince can be considered as lost and throughout the story because he has no recollection of his past.

How did you find the film on Kanopy?

I found this film on Kanopy through casual browsing and trying to find a movie that stood out from the others.

Did the plot (for fictional movie) or presentation of information (for documentary) keep you interested?

The plot was good, however, didn't keep me too interested due to the fact that the plot and the events throughout the movie didn't necessarily make sense. Although this was a good movie, the plot, and the development of the plot, could've used some work in my opinion.

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

The pace of the film was just right because based on the event, the pace was different. For instance, getting a plane started or climbing up a tree.

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

This film is appropriate for anyone in elementary school. This is because of the movie's events and the actions of the characters which relate a lot to those in elementary school.

4 stars: I enjoyed this film and found it worthwhile to watch.

Although this film didn't pique my interest, it had a really good moral and lesson which I enjoyed. Because of this, I found this movie worthwhile to watch.

Reviewer Name and Grade: Daniel L., 8th Grade

Date Reviewed: March 30, 2021

The movie "The Little Prince" is a deeply fascinating and thought-provoking film. In the beginning, a girl and her mother go to an interview for a school called the "Werth Academy". However, the interview does not go well and she faints. Because of this, the girl's mother decides to move into the neighborhood of Werth Academy, as it is explained by the mother that, by doing so, the academy will have to take the girl. When they move into their new home, the girl meets her neighbor, an old man who was once an aviator, and slowly begins to befriend him. The old man begins to tell her a story about a little prince he met on one of his flight trips. However, her mother wants her to focus on her studies and doesn't want her to spend time with the neighbor during that summer. As a result, the girl sneaks out of the house after her mother goes to work to spend time with her neighbor. Her mother soon finds out about this and is furious. Her mother decides to supervise the girl during her studies. Finally, she sneaks outside the house one last time and the old man tells her the last of his story, in which the little prince dies. The girl does not like the ending, insults the old man, and runs back to her home. The old man is then seen being hospitalized. The girl sees this and tries to get to him, but fails. That night, the girl goes into the neighbor's backyard, where she finds the neighbor's plane and rides in it. She discovers many things on the ride. She meets the little prince, now an adult, and finds that he has forgotten about his childhood and has become a hopeless and sad janitor. The little girl helps the adult little prince to remember his childhood. Afterwards, the little girl gets back home the next morning and goes to check on the hospitalized neighbor. She gives him a book, which tells the story of the little prince.

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

I found the film on Kanopy through casual browsing.

Did the plot (for fictional movie) or presentation of information (for documentary) keep you interested?

The plot of the movie kept me very interested. I was intrigued by the story the old man told the girl and was very sad when he got hospitalized.

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

The pace of the film was a little too fast. It was difficult keeping track of what was going on, and where; a lot of the things in the story were told too quickly for me and I had to rewatch some parts to remember some parts of the story. For example, at one point in the movie where the little prince and a fox he had met were communicating, I failed to remember if this part of the story was after the little prince had already met the aviator or not. After rewatching a few parts, it came to me that this happened before the little prince met the aviator.

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

I think this film is appropriate for 8th graders, as the themes included inside the movie are pretty hard to grasp. For example, one of the themes is to not forget your childhood self, in which it is pretty hard to understand why and what this means.

Rating: 4 stars

I rate this film to be 4 stars because the pace of the film was a little too fast and I had trouble keeping track of what was going on. However, I did think that the plot was very good and intense, and it kept me watching. The plot really gave me a rollercoaster of emotions! I was extremely sad when the old man got hospitalized and I was extremely intrigued by the old man's story.

Reviewer Name and Grade: Amal K., 8th Grade

Date Reviewed: April 1, 2021

A little girl is taught by her mother since she was a kid how to be a grown-up. The mother makes a life plan for the girl so she can be a perfect adult. The life plan, however, excludes any time for leisure. For this life plan to work though, they need to move to a new school so the girl can get a higher level of education. They move neighborhoods and the house they move into turns out to be next to an old aviator. The aviator is an eccentric, kindhearted person. The girl ends up wandering to the aviator's backyard which leads them to become friends. The aviator shows the girl the story of the little prince. The story is about himself meeting a little prince from a faraway planet. The little prince introduces the aviator to a world where anything is possible and where life is more than just your occupation. The aviator learns the importance of human connections. The story then helps the girl learn the same. The girl rediscovers her childhood. In the end, the aviator teaches the girl that you can be a wonderful grown-up without forgetting how to enjoy life.

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

I found it by casual browsing.

Did the plot (for fictional movie) or presentation of information (for documentary) keep you interested?

Yes, the film did interest me. Watching the girl go through her character development and become more open-minded while getting close to the old pilot and the prince results in a heartwarming story.

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

In my opinion, it was just right, some parts of the movie where they are explaining the little prince's backstory can be a little slow to some people but I thought they were just right.

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

I think this would fit 3rd grade and above.

Rating:

5 stars. In my opinion, it was a great movie. I have rewatched it a couple of times. First, the animation is interesting to watch. Especially seeing the drawings in the story of the little prince come to life. The story of the girl and the old pilot itself was entertaining. Watching the girl become and closer to the old pilot kept me interested. The ending was also very satisfying and left the viewer with a warm feeling. Overall I would say it was a very hearting warming film and a must-watch.

Film Reviewer Name and Grade: Benjamin H., 8th Grade

Date Reviewed: April 7, 2021

The movie *The Little Prince* is an 3d animated film taking place in modern day in a cookie cutter house neighborhood. about a little girl who is told a story about a Little Prince from her seemingly odd new elderly neighbor. The movie begins with a little girl whose mom only wants for her to get into a top private school, Werth Academy. The girl's life is run by her mom who completely planned and controls her entire life just so she can get into Werth Academy. While the little girl is attempting to follow her mom's intense schedule, the old man next door gets her attention with a paper airplane, which contains the folded up first page of the story of The Little Prince. As time goes on the little girl starts to read the pages and becomes captivated by it. She goes to the old man to know more about the story, and over time they become close friends. Throughout the summer she and the old man have fun and she learns all the stories about the Aviator (the old man) and the Little Prince. However once the girl's mom finds out, she shuts everything down and forces the girl to focus only on her studies. One day they come home to see the old man being taken away in an ambulance. The little girl takes the old man's plane in search of the Little Prince's help. She makes her way to asteroid B-612 where she finds The Little Prince all grown up with no recollection of his past. The little girl finally starts to get him to remember, and they stop the businessman that ran the planet. Together they return to the Prince's home in a heartfelt scene where he finally sees his beloved rose fade away. The film ends with the little girl visiting the old man in the hospital where she gives him a completed book of all the pages in his story.

How did you find the film on Kanopy?

I found the film through casual browsing and recognizing the name because I had read the book when I was little.

Did the plot (for fictional movie) or presentation of information (for documentary) keep you interested?

Yes. The art and storytelling keeps you captivated the entire time. It never got dull, and the story telling sections' art style were always pleasing to look at.

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

The pacing was just right with changes in style or scene never leaving you confused on what was happening,

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

It is appropriate for later elementary (3rd, 4th, 5th, etc.), However due to complex themes, the true message of the movie would be better for a 7th grade and up audience.

Rating: 5 stars

Overall an amazing movie with great storytelling and message. I always was interested in what was going on, and the colorful characters really brought the movie to life.

Reviewer Name & Grade: Delaney H., 9th Grade

Date Reviewed: June 7, 2021

Overall I really liked watching this film, the plot was of a little girl whose mother plans out her life, and when plan A fails, then go on to plan B, which includes them moving. But all plans are forgotten when the little girl meets the neighbor, who is just a bit different than everyone else in the town. The setting of The Little Prince in parts of the movie when the neighbor is telling the little girl the story (because it is where the majority of the story takes place) is in the Sahara Desert. The film The Little Prince does not actually have a time period, nothing relates it to a certain part of time. This film could really take place at any period in time, making the film even more interesting. Some of the main events in the film include; the little girl failing her audition, the little girl and her mother moving to a new town, the little girl meeting the neighbor, the little prince meeting the rose, etc... The main characters include; the little girl- very shy and nervous at first, then breaks out of shell, the mother- very controlling and overbearing, the neighbor- outgoing, bold, and creative, and the little prince- kind and curious.

How did you find the film on Kanopy?

I found The Little Prince on Kanopy by casual browsing.

Did the plot keep you interested?

Yes, the plot keeps the movie moving, making the plot unpredictable and interesting.

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

The pace of the film is just right, moving the story along without dragging the plot out or rushing the plot.

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

Based on my opinion of the film and the rating of the movie, I would suggest that this film is appropriate for any grade level.

After watching the film The Little Prince, I have decided to rate it 4 stars because in my opinion this film was very entertaining, I enjoyed watching it, and I think it was worth my time to watch it. For example, I enjoy the part in the movie when the Little Prince goes to all the different planets.