

And the Oscar Goes to...



EVERY BOOK LISTED HAS BEEN ADAPTED INTO EITHER AN OSCAR-WINNING OR OSCAR-NOMINATED SCREENPLAY!

Read the book and see the movie!

*Winners of the Academy Award for Best Writing (Adapted Screenplay)
All films/movies listed were created in the last five years.

Twelve Years a Slave

Northrup, Solomon

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**Movie: 12 Years a Slave (starring Chiwetel Ejiofor)*

A slave narrative of a black man who was born free in New York state but kidnapped in Washington, D.C., sold into slavery, and kept in bondage for 12 years in Louisiana.

Team of Rivals: the Political Genius of Abraham Lincoln

Goodwin, Doris Kearns

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Movie: Lincoln (Starring Daniel Day Lewis)

Historian Goodwin illuminates Lincoln's political genius, as the one-term congressman rises from obscurity to prevail over three gifted rivals to become president.

Life of Pi

Martel, Yann F MARTEL

Movie: Life of Pi (Starring Suraj Sharma)

A young Pi Patel, overcoming a cataclysmic shipwreck, finds himself stranded on a lifeboat with the last survivor, a ferocious Bengal tiger named Richard Parker.

Tinker, Tailor, Soldier, Spy

Le Carre, John F LE CARRE

Movie: Tinker Tailor Soldier Spy (Starring Gary Oldman)

At the height of the Cold War, a former agent for the British Secret Intelligence Service is called back to root out a Russian spy who has infiltrated the organization's highest levels.

Moneyball: the Art of Winning an Unfair Game

Lewis, Michael 796.357 LEW

Movie: Moneyball (Starring Brad Pitt)

This book explains how Billy Beene, the general manager of the Oakland Athletics, is using a new kind of thinking to build a successful and winning baseball team without spending enormous sums of money.

The Invention of Hugo Cabret

Selznick, Brian J F SELZNICK

Movie: Hugo (Starring Ben Kingsley)

An orphan living and repairing clocks within the walls of a Paris train station in 1931 meets a mysterious toyseller and his goddaughter, and his undercover life and his biggest secret are jeopardized.

The Descendants

Hemmings, Kauai Hart F HEMMING

**Movie: The Descendants (Starring George Clooney)*

A descendant of royalty and one of the largest landowners in Hawaii, Matthew King struggles to deal with his out-of-control daughters, as well as his comatose wife, whom they are about to remove from life support.

Winter's Bone

Woodrell, Daniel F WOODRELL

Movie: Winter's Bone (Starring Jennifer Lawrence)

Seventeen-year-old Ree Dolly sets out to track down her father who put their house up for his bail bond and then disappeared. If she fails to find him, she and her family will be turned out into the Ozark woods.

True Grit

Portis, Charles F PORTIS

Movie: True Grit (Starring Jeff Bridges)

U.S. Marshall Rooster Cogburn is hired by a 14-year-old girl to kill the man who murdered her father and stole the family nest egg. She accepts the help of the Texas Ranger, who is intent on the reward, and accompanies them on the quest.

Between a Rock and a Hard Place

Ralston, Aron B RALSTON

Movie: 127 Hours (Starring James Franco)

Aron Ralston has a passion for all things outdoors. But when a falling boulder traps him in a remote Utah canyon, a thrill-seeker's adventure becomes the challenge of a lifetime.

The Accidental Billionaires

Mezrich, Ben F 338.7 MEZ

**Movie: The Social Network (Starring Jesse Eisenberg)*

Founder of Facebook, Zuckerberg is the youngest billionaire in history, but for this entrepreneur, success leads to both personal and legal complications.

Push

Sapphire F SAPPHIRE

**Movie: Precious (Starring Gabourey Sidibe)*

Claireece "Precious" Jones lives in Harlem with her dysfunctional family. There, she suffers incest and abuse at the hands of her parents. After getting suspended from school, she is sent to a new school where her teacher, Ms. Rain, helps Precious learn to read and offers a glimmer of hope for the young girl.

The Reader

Schlink, Bernhard F SCHLINK

Movie: The Reader (Starring Kate Winslet)

The question of wartime culpability undergirds the May-December romance in postwar Berlin between Hanna, a streetcar ticket-taker and Michael, a young schoolboy whom she seduces.

Doubt

Shanley, John Patrick 812.54 SHA

Movie: Doubt (Starring Meryl Streep)

1964, St. Nicholas in the Bronx. Father Flynn is a charismatic priest who is trying to upend the schools' strict customs, which have long been guarded by Sister Aloysius Beauvier. Sister Aloysius makes it her personal crusade to uncover the truth when she learns of the possibility of a scandal between Father Flynn and newly accepted black student, Donald.

Q & A

Swarup, Vikas F SWARUP

**Movie: Slumdog Millionaire (Starring Dev Patel)*

Jamal Malik is an 18-year-old orphan from the slums of Mumbai. With the whole nation watching, he is just one question away from winning a staggering 20 million rupees on India's version of "Who Wants to be a Millionaire?"

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