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HAPPY FEET *VIDEO (DVD available May)*

Animated/Music/Family, Rated G, 108 Minutes

Featuring voices of Elijah Wood, Brittany Murphy, Robin Williams, Nicole Kidman & Hugh Jackman

Emperor Penguin Mumbles is born different to the others: he can't sing, which is how penguins find a mate. His special talent is tap dancing, or happy feet, as he calls it. Considered an outcast by all the other penguins except his mum, Norma Jean - even his dad is ashamed - but Mumbles finds a soul mate in Gloria. Even she can't save him from Noah the Elder who casts him out. But then he meets with the kooky Adelie Amigos, led by Ramon who quickly take to his happy feet and introduce him to Lovelace the Guru, who eventually leads them to the 'aliens' who are littering their world, and taking all their fish. Mumbles now has a mission...

For more information go to: www.happyfeetmovie.com

We say: Happy Feet is wonderful entertainment for all age groups. Ground breaking animation, a great voice cast and terrific music.

AQUAMARINE VIDEO (DVD available February)

Comedy/Family, Rated PG, 103 Minutes
Starring Emma Roberts, Jojo & Sara Paxton

Thirteen year old best friends Claire and Hailey share everything, including a crush on the local lifeguard Raymond Calder. But they are about to be separated, as Hailey's marine biologist mother has been offered an assignment in Australia. One night after a violent storm, the girls discover a beautiful mermaid called Aquamarine in the Florida beach club swimming pool, where Claire lives with her grandparents. Aquamarine has swum away from her arranged marriage, and has three days to prove to her father that love is real. She quickly sets her sights on Raymond, and enlists Claire and Hailey's help, whose relationship expertise is limited to teenage magazines.

For more information go to: www.aquamarinemovie.com
We say: Young girls will love it



BARNYARD: THE ORIGINAL PARTY ANIMALS VIDEO ONLY

Animated, Rated PG, 90 Minutes
Featuring voices of Kevin James, Courtney Cox, Danny Glover & Wanda Sykes

Young cow Otis enjoys the carefree life, playing the clown with his barnyard friends Miles the Mule, Etta the Hen and Duke the Dog. His adoptive father Ben the Cow tries to instil in him a sense of responsibility, but for Otis, hanging out with his friends and Daisy the pretty new cow, has much more appeal. When Ben is killed by Dag the Coyote and his pack, Otis finds himself nominated as leader, a role for which he needs to find some courage.

For more information go to: www.barnyardmovie.com
We say: Good for young audiences with enough jokes to amuse adults



CARS VIDEO/DVD

Animation/Comedy, Rated G, 116 Minutes
Featuring voices of Owen Wilson, Paul Newman & Bonnie Hunt

Lightning McQueen is a feisty, self centred rookie racing car aiming to win the ultra prestigious Piston Cup against his two chief rivals, the veteran King and the mean hearted, ever-second Chick. When he's waylaid in the little town of Radiator Springs on Route 66, bypassed by the new interstate highway, he gets into trouble and detained on community service. Anxious to get to the big race in Los Angeles, Lightning is befriended by the rusty tow-truck, Mater and the attractive solicitor Sally Carrera who helps him in court. They, plus the local judge with a secret past, Doc Hudson and the other townfolk, teach Lightning some values he was missing, before he heads off to race for the Cup.

For more information go to: <http://disney.go.com/disneyvideos/animatedfilms/cars/>
We say: Tip top Disney Pixar animation



DEVIL WEARS PRADA, THE VIDEO (DVD available March)

Comedy/Drama, Rated PG, 109 Minutes
Starring Anne Hathaway, Meryl Streep, Emily Blunt & Stanley Tucci

Aspiring journalist Andy Sachs applies for a job as 2nd assistant to the legendary, Prada-draped, Miranda Priestly editor of fashion bible, Runway. Her unglam looks contrast with the stiletto clacking team of acolytes around Miranda, yet she's hired ... for her smarts. Her first hurdle is 1st assistant Emily, before she succumbs to fashion director, Nigel for a make over, propelling her to acceptance. But her friends like Lilly and especially her boyfriend, Nate, are sidelined by the demands of Andy's job. By the time she is accepted by her boss, she wants that acceptance less and less.

For more information go to: www.devilwearspradamovie.com
We say: For older teens and adults



GARFIELD 2: A TAIL OF TWO KITTIES VIDEO/DVD

Animation, Rated G, 78 Minutes
Featuring the voice of Bill Murray and Starring Breckin Myers & Jennifer Love Hewitt

Garfield's mild mannered owner Jon Arbuckle is set to propose to his lovely girlfriend Liz Wilson, and follows her to London, where she is speaking at a vet's convention. Garfield tags along in his luggage, together with canine sidekick Odie, but things become complicated when Garfield is mistaken for Prince, a regal cat who has just inherited a large estate with a castle. Evil Lord Dargis, who is next in line to inherit the estate, is intent on getting rid of Prince, or the fluffy ginger cat with a spreading midriff that looks like Prince, in order to turn the castle into a money-making luxury resort.

For more information go to: www.garfieldmovie.com
We say: Good for families and the little ones

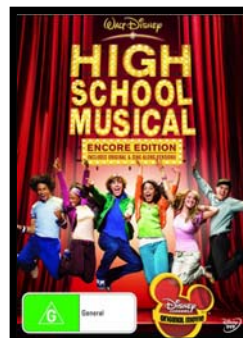


HIGH SCHOOL MUSICAL DVD ONLY

Family/Musical, Rated G, 94 Minutes
Starring Zac Efron, Vanessa Anne Hudgens, Ashley Tisdale & Lucas Grabeel

Troy, the popular captain of the basketball team, and Gabriella, the brainy and beautiful member of the academic club, break all the rules of East High society when they secretly audition for the leads in the school's musical. As they reach for the stars and follow their dreams, everyone learns about acceptance, teamwork and being yourself. And it's all set to fun tunes and very cool dance moves! Featuring the hottest talent, HIGH SCHOOL MUSICAL celebrates the power of music in this hip, entertaining, gotta-get-up-and-dance movie.

For more information go to: <http://www.disney.com.au/DisneyChannel/highschoolmusical/>
We say: Hugely popular and entertaining for all kids



JOHN TUCKER MUST DIE VIDEO/DVD

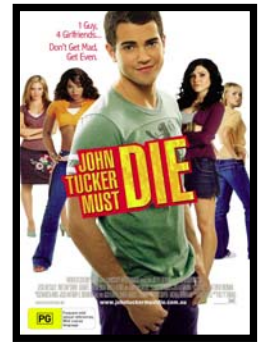
Comedy, Rated PG, 87 Minutes

Starring Jesse Metcalfe, Brittany Snow, Ashanti & Sophia Bush

Basketball team captain John Tucker is the school stud, with girls queuing up for a date. When the head of three high school cliques get together and compare notes, they realize their Casanova is surreptitiously dating all of them at the same time. Wannabe-reporter Carrie, head cheerleader Heather and vegan activist Beth are as mad as hell and are not going to take it any more. They decide to get even and make the self-assured, smooth-talker, 'un-datable'. Their tactic? To recruit new girl Kate to break John's heart. Even though she is attracted to her chemistry partner, who happens to be John's brother Scott.

For more information go to: www.myspace.com/JohnTucker

We say: Great for older teens



MATERIAL GIRLS VIDEO/DVD

Comedy/Family, Rated PG, 98 Minutes

Starring Hilary Duff, Haylie Duff & Angelica Houston

The Marchetta sisters Ava and Tanzie live the good life. They are heiresses to one of the most successful cosmetics companies, which since their father's death is run by their uncle Tommy Katzenbach. All they have to do is make an appearance here and there. After a television exposé about the company's night cream causing scarring and disfigurement, the girls' credit cards are frozen and cosmetics queen rival Fabielle makes a take-over bid for the company. In a bid to clear the company name, Ava and Tanzie investigate the matter with the help of a legal aid worker and Marchetta company chemist.

For more information go to: www.mgm.com/materialgirls

We say: The Duff sisters have their fan base, mainly female and the film will satisfy



NACHO LIBRE VIDEO ONLY

Comedy, Rated PG, 92 Minutes

Starring Jack Black

Orphaned and raised in the monastery where he is now the cook, Ignacio - under the pseudonym of (masked) Nacho, indulges his life-long passion for wrestling, incidentally making a bit of money for the kitchen, even though it is strictly forbidden by the church elders. He enlists the help of the starved and skeletal young Esqueleto for the deadly tag team bouts and while his physique is against him, he perseveres. Naturally, Nacho isn't acting out of purely altruistic measures, as he wishes to help Sister Encarnacion, a beautiful Mexican nun who has recently arrived at the monastery.

For more information go to: www.nacholibre.com

We say: Silly comedy goes down well with young boys



STEP UP VIDEO ONLY

Drama/Music, Rated PG, 103 Minutes

Starring Channing Tatum, Jenna Dewan, Mario & Drew Sidora

Tyler Gage is a rebel from the wrong side of Baltimore's tracks. After his latest brush with the law, he is sent to Maryland School of the Arts to serve his community service as janitor. There he meets prima ballerina Nora, whose rehearsal partner has just sprained his ankle. When she notices Tyler's natural dancing ability, they begin to train together, with the permission of the school's principal. But pressures mount as their opposite backgrounds become evident, and both their futures hang in the balance.

For more information go to: www.myspace.com/stepupmovie

We say: Dance films with young cast always appeal



THIEF LORD, THE VIDEO/DVD

Adventure/Family, Rated PG, 98 Minutes

Starring Aaron Johnson & Jasper Harris

Prosper and Bo, flee to Venice after being orphaned and dumped in the care of a cruel auntie. Hiding in the canals and alleyways of the city, the boys are befriended by a gang of young urchins and their enigmatic leader, the Thief Lord. From their home base of an old cinema theatre, the children steal from the rich to support themselves and soon capture the interest of a bumbling detective. However, a greater threat to the children is something from a forgotten past - a beautiful magical treasure with the power to spin time itself...

For more information go to: www.imdb.com/title/tt0430674/

We say: Upmarket but fun



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