

HUCKLEBERRY FINN: MOVIE VERSION

**Study Guide compares the novel *Huckleberry Finn* by Mark Twain to the movie version *The Adventures of Huck Finn* (1993) starring Elijah Wood, Courtney B. Vance, and Jason Robards.
A Disney Picture.**



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SAMPLE HUCKLEBERRY FINN: MOVIE VERSION

THE MOVIE VERSION OF *HUCKLEBERRY FINN* IS NOT LIKE THE BOOK by Mark Twain

RECOMMENDED MOVIE: *The Adventures of Huck Finn* (1993) starring Elijah Wood, Courtney B. Vance, and Jason Robards. A Disney Picture. Even though this Disney movie omits 24 chapters of the book, it still covers the main plot lines and characters fairly accurately. Too bad the movie left out Tom Sawyer who dominates most of the omitted chapters.

HOW ACCURATE IS THE MOVIE VERSION OF THE BOOK?

Plot: ★★☆☆☆ Characters: ★★☆☆☆ Setting: ★★☆☆☆

Structure: ★★☆☆☆ Symbols: ★★☆☆☆ Theme: ★★☆☆☆

THE MOVIE: SUMMARY

The following is a scene-by-scene comparison of the movie to the corresponding chapters in the book.

THE MOVIE: CHAPTER 1

OPENING SCENE: The voice of Huck Finn introduces himself as the narrator. (**ACCURATE**) He says this is the story of himself and a slave named Jim. (**ERROR: Not in the book**) Huck says that the story is mostly the truth. (**ACCURATE**)

OMISSION: In the book Huck reminds the reader that he is the same boy who was in *The Adventures of Tom Sawyer* by Mark Twain. Huck retells the story of how he and Tom Sawyer found gold hidden by robbers in a cave. Judge Thatcher awarded each boy \$6,000 apiece. The Judge invested each boy's money so that with interest, the investments earn each boy a dollar a day. Widow Douglas adopted Huck and is now trying to civilize him. The widow's sister Miss Watson lives with her. At midnight Huck hears Tom Sawyer's "meow." Huck sneaks out the window, slides down the drain pipe and joins Tom.

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Quiz

This quiz compares the movie *The Adventures of Huck Finn* (1993) starring Elijah Wood, Courtney B. Vance and Jason Robards to the novel *Huckleberry Finn* by Mark Twain.

- ___ 1. In the movie in the opening scene the voice of Huckleberry Finn says this is the story of himself and a slave named Jim. In the book Huck says this is the story of the same boy who was in Mark Twain's
- a. Pudd'nhead Wilson
 - b. A Connecticut Yankee
 - c. The Adventures of Tom Sawyer
 - d. The Innocents Abroad
- ___ 2. In the movie and the book Huck Finn knows his father Pap Finn is around when he discovers a
- a. cigar butt
 - b. footprint
 - c. whiskey bottle
 - d. black hat
- ___ 3. In the movie when Huck Finn is scared his Pap has returned, he runs to Jim. In the book Huck runs to
- a. Judge Thatcher
 - b. Widow Douglas
 - c. Tom Sawyer
 - d. Miss Watson

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