



Disney+ Pulls Sci-Fi Film Over Controversial Rat-Drowning Scene

Description

James Cameron's movie, *The Abyss*, came out in 1989. It has a scene where a rat is put into a special liquid that helps it breathe. This scene was very controversial. It was banned in the UK at first.

Before making famous films like *Titanic* and *Avatar*, Cameron made *The Abyss*. It starred Ed Harris and had many underwater scenes. At first, people did not like the movie, but now many fans love it.

In the scene, the rat struggles at first but then learns to breathe the liquid. Five rats were used, and they all survived. Many people found the scene upsetting, so it was removed from the film in the UK.

Recently, Disney+ showed the full version again. But after complaints, they removed the movie once more.

The RSPCA, a group that protects animals, wants Disney+ to bring back the movie, but without that scene.

Vocabulary List:

1. **Controversial** /ˌkɒn.trəˈvɜː.ʃəl/ (adjective): Giving rise or likely to give rise to public disagreement.
2. **Upsetting** /ʌpˈset.ɪŋ/ (adjective): Causing unhappiness or distress.
3. **Breathe** /briːð/ (verb): To take air into the lungs and then expel it.
4. **Survived** /sərˈvaɪvd/ (verb): Continue to live or exist especially after a dangerous event.
5. **Received** /rɪˈsiːvd/ (verb): To be given presented with or paid something.
6. **Removed** /rɪˈmuːvd/ (verb): To take something away or off from the position occupied.

Comprehension Questions

Multiple Choice

1. When did James Cameron's movie, *The Abyss*, come out?

Option: 1989

Option: 1995

Option: 2001

Option: 2010



2. Who starred in The Abyss?

- Option: Ed Harris
- Option: Tom Hanks
- Option: Leonardo DiCaprio
- Option: Brad Pitt

3. How many rats were used in the controversial scene in The Abyss?

- Option: Five
- Option: Two
- Option: Ten
- Option: Three

4. Which streaming platform recently showed the full version of The Abyss?

- Option: Disney+
- Option: Netflix
- Option: Amazon Prime
- Option: Hulu

5. Why was the scene with the rat in The Abyss removed from the film in the UK?

- Option: Many people found it upsetting
- Option: It was too long
- Option: It was deemed too violent
- Option: It was considered inappropriate

6. Which famous films did James Cameron make before The Abyss?

- Option: Titanic and Avatar
- Option: Jurassic Park and Jaws
- Option: The Godfather and Star Wars
- Option: The Matrix and Inception

True-False

7. The controversial scene with the rat in The Abyss was banned in the UK.

8. Initially, people did not like The Abyss, but now it has many fans.

9. After complaints, Disney+ decided to keep showing The Abyss in its full version.



10. The RSPCA wants Disney+ to bring back The Abyss with the controversial scene included.

11. The Abyss starred Tom Hanks in the lead role.

12. James Cameron directed The Abyss before creating Titanic and Avatar.

Gap-Fill

14. In The Abyss, _____ struggled initially but then learned to breathe the special liquid.

15. Five _____ were used for the scene in The Abyss, and all of them survived.

16. The RSPCA, a group that protects _____, wants Disney+ to bring back The Abyss without the controversial scene.

17. In The Abyss, many fans now _____ the movie that originally received mixed reviews.

18. Many viewers found the scene with the rat in The Abyss _____, leading to its removal from the UK version of the film.

Answer

Multiple Choice: 1. 1989 2. Ed Harris 3. Five 4. Disney+ 5. Many people found it upsetting 6. Titanic and Avatar

True-False: 7. True 8. True 9. False 10. False 11. False 12. True

Gap-Fill: 14. the rat 15. rats 16. animals 17. love 18. upsetting

Vocabulary quizzes

Multiple Choice (Select the Correct answer for each question.)

1. What is used to create curiosity or interest in a product or event?

Option: Effects

Option: Teaser



Option: Process
Option: Direction

2. Which word means to acquire or get something?

Option: Breathe
Option: Received
Option: Gained
Option: Contestants

3. Which word means to continue to live or exist despite adversity?

Option: Admitted
Option: Survived
Option: Break up
Option: Pregnant

4. What are difficulties or obstacles that test one's abilities?

Option: Relationship
Option: Challenges
Option: Compete
Option: Guide

5. Which word refers to exceptional intellectual or creative power?

Option: Harmony
Option: Creativity
Option: Genius
Option: Conflict

6. Which word means to disturb mentally or emotionally?

Option: Removed
Option: Upset
Option: Upsetting
Option: Breathe

7. Which word describes something that causes disagreement or argument?

Option: Insulted
Option: Controversial
Option: Removed
Option: Break up

8. What word expresses something causing great enthusiasm or eagerness?

Option: Gained
Option: Pregnant
Option: Admitted



Option: Exciting

9. Which word describes having a natural aptitude or skill?

Option: Conflict

Option: Talented

Option: Heartbroken

Option: Grieve

10. What word means to be given or presented with something?

Option: Harmony

Option: Creativity

Option: Received

Option: Genius

Gap-Fill (Fill in the blanks with the correct word from the vocabulary list.)

11. _____ is the series of actions or steps taken in order to achieve a particular end.

12. They _____ the obstacles that were blocking the path.

13. She felt deeply hurt and _____ by his words.

14. She discovered she was _____ after the medical check-up.

15. He finally _____ to his mistakes and apologized.

16. The couple decided to _____ after months of disagreements.

17. They needed time to _____ the loss of their loved one.

18. The music concert displayed a perfect _____ of sound and rhythm.

19. The team members had a _____ regarding the project approach.

20. The mentor was there to _____ them through the challenges.

Matching Sentences (Match each definition to the correct word from the vocabulary list.)

21. The movie trailer provided a thrilling of what was to come.

22. The special makeup artist created amazing visual for the film.



23. The actors followed the director's for the scene.
24. After the breakup she was left feeling utterly .
25. The athletes trained hard to in the upcoming championship.
26. The game show welcomed new each week.
27. The news of the accident was truly .
28. Against all odds they the shipwreck.
29. The art exhibit showcased a wide range of innovative .
30. The counselor them on how to approach the difficult situation.

Answer

Multiple Choice: 1. Teaser 2. Gained 3. Survived 4. Challenges 5. Genius 6. Upset 7. Controversial 8. Exciting 9. Talented 10. Received

Gap-Fill: 11. Process 12. Removed 13. Insulted 14. Pregnant 15. Admitted 16. Break up 17. Grieve 18. Harmony 19. Conflict 20. Guide

Matching sentence: 1. Teaser 2. Effects 3. Direction 4. Heartbroken 5. Compete 6. Contestants 7. Upsetting 8. Survived 9. Creativity 10. Guided

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