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## Ne Zha 2 Soars to \$1.1B; Mufasa Hits \$671M Worldwide

### Description

**Refresh for updates...:** Over the weekend, the standout news from the international box office is the remarkable success of the Chinese blockbuster *Ne Zha 2*. This film has made history by becoming the first-ever movie to gross \$1 billion in a single market. Recent estimates from Maoyan indicate that *Ne Zha 2* has amassed an impressive RMB 8 billion (**\$1.1 billion**) in China alone.

With these figures, the sequel has already claimed the position of the seventh highest-grossing animated film globally. Maoyan has once more revised its projections for the film's total earnings in China, anticipating a remarkable RMB 12 billion (\$1.65 billion). While these estimates can vary, reaching this target would elevate *Ne Zha 2* to the rank of the second all-time animated film internationally, and the eleventh overall. Keep in mind, this is achieved without any international revenue as the film is set to release in markets outside China, including the U.S., this week.

IMAX earnings for the film currently stand at \$63.9 million; after just twelve days in theaters, *Ne Zha 2* has already become the highest-grossing local language release ever in this format.

In other overseas news, Disney's *Mufasa: The Lion King* continued to lead the box office, pulling in **\$8.5 million** and maintaining strong performances in several key markets. The international gross has now reached **\$435.9 million**, contributing to a global total of **\$671.1 million**, with the \$700 million mark now well within reach.

Looking ahead, the North America debut of *Paddington in Peru* approaches, having already surpassed \$100 million overseas, while Universal's *Dog Man* continues its rollout, expanding to additional markets and accumulating significant earnings.

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### Vocabulary List:

1. **Blockbuster** /'blɒk,bʌstə/ (noun): A film that is very successful financially especially in terms of ticket sales.
2. **Animate** /'ænimet/ (verb): To give life or motion to; to bring to life through animation.
3. **Revenue** /'revə,nju:/ (noun): The income generated from normal business operations.
4. **Projections** /prə'dʒɛkʃənz/ (noun): Estimates or forecasts of future financial performance.
5. **Remarkable** /rɪ'mɑ:rkəbl/ (adjective): Worthy of attention; extraordinary.
6. **Acclaim** /ə'kleɪm/ (noun): Public praise or admiration.

### Comprehension Questions



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## Multiple Choice

1. Which film has become the first-ever movie to gross \$1 billion in a single market?  
Option: Ne Zha 2  
Option: Mufasa: The Lion King  
Option: Paddington in Peru  
Option: Dog Man
2. What is the total earnings estimate for *Ne Zha 2* in China according to Maoyan?  
Option: RMB 8 billion (\$1.1 billion)  
Option: RMB 5 billion (\$800 million)  
Option: RMB 10 billion (\$1.4 billion)  
Option: RMB 12 billion (\$1.65 billion)
3. Which film has the highest IMAX earnings after just twelve days in theaters?  
Option: Ne Zha 2  
Option: Mufasa: The Lion King  
Option: Paddington in Peru  
Option: Dog Man
4. Which film has a global total of \$671.1 million in earnings?  
Option: Ne Zha 2  
Option: Mufasa: The Lion King  
Option: Paddington in Peru  
Option: Dog Man
5. Which film is set to release in markets outside China, including the U.S., this week?  
Option: Ne Zha 2  
Option: Mufasa: The Lion King  
Option: Paddington in Peru  
Option: Dog Man
6. Which film has already surpassed \$100 million overseas before its North America debut approaches?  
Option: Paddington in Peru  
Option: Ne Zha 2  
Option: Mufasa: The Lion King  
Option: Dog Man



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**True-False**

7. IMAX earnings for *Ne Zha 2* have already surpassed \$100 million.
8. The global total earnings for *Paddington in Peru* are over \$700 million.
9. *Dog Man* has expanded to additional markets and accumulated significant earnings.
10. The sequel to *Ne Zha* has become the seventh highest-grossing animated film globally.
11. *Ne Zha 2* is the highest-grossing local language release film ever in IMAX format.
12. *Mufasa: The Lion King* has reached \$435.9 million in international gross earnings.

**Gap-Fill**

13. What is the latest total estimate for *Ne Zha 2*'s earnings in China according to Maoyan?

RMB \_\_\_\_\_.

14. The global earnings of *Mufasa: The Lion King* have reached \$ \_\_\_\_\_ million.

15. IMAX earnings for *Ne Zha 2* currently stand at \$ \_\_\_\_\_ million after just twelve days in theaters.

16. The North America debut of *Paddington in Peru* approaches after already surpassing \$ \_\_\_\_\_ million overseas.

17. The Chinese blockbuster *Ne Zha 2* is set to release in markets outside China, including the U.S., this \_\_\_\_\_.

18. The total earnings for *Dog Man* are accumulating significantly as it continues its rollout,



expanding to additional \_\_\_\_\_ .

## Answer

**Multiple Choice:** 1. Ne Zha 2 2. RMB 12 billion (\$1.65 billion) 4. Mufasa: The Lion King 6. Paddington in Peru

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

**Gap-Fill:** 13. 12 billion (\$1.65 billion) 14. 671.1 15. 63.9 16. 100 17. week 18. markets

## Vocabulary quizzes

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

1. What legal agreement is made before marriage to protect assets?

Option: Postnuptial agreement

Option: Prenuptial agreement

Option: Cohabitation agreement

Option: Separation agreement

2. Which term describes a subject that causes public disagreement or argument?

Option: Acceptable

Option: Controversial

Option: Consensus

Option: Unanimous

3. Which term best describes a person who can recover quickly from difficult conditions?

Option: Fragile

Option: Vulnerable

Option: Resilient

Option: Delicate

4. What term is used to describe a very successful and widely known product or movie?

Option: Flop

Option: Blockbuster

Option: Niche

Option: Underdog

5. What term refers to the income generated from the normal business operations of a company?

Option: Expense

Option: Liability



- Option: Equity
- Option: Revenue

6. What is the unfair treatment of different categories of people or things especially on the grounds of race age or sex?

- Option: Inclusion
- Option: Equality
- Option: Discrimination
- Option: Harmony

7. Which term refers to a particular attitude toward or way of regarding something?

- Option: Objective
- Option: Perspective
- Option: Prejudice
- Option: Partiality

8. What term means a detailed analysis and assessment of something especially a literary philosophical or political theory?

- Option: Critique
- Option: Praise
- Option: Compliment
- Option: Applause

9. Which word best describes a situation where one deeply thinks about before deciding?

- Option: Impulsively
- Option: Foresighted
- Option: Contemplated
- Option: Spontaneous

10. What is the term for the action or process of recognizing or being recognized?

- Option: Denial
- Option: Rejection
- Option: Recognition
- Option: Oblivion

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

11. A sudden inheritance unexpectedly changed his \_\_\_\_\_.

12. The controversial statement caused a significant \_\_\_\_\_ from the public.



13. The criminal was known for his \_\_\_\_\_ deeds.
14. The company was involved in a lengthy and expensive \_\_\_\_\_.
15. The children were captivated by the \_\_\_\_\_ characters in the cartoon.
16. The young artist showed a \_\_\_\_\_ talent for painting.
17. Managers must take \_\_\_\_\_ for the performance of their team.
18. The \_\_\_\_\_ market trends indicate a shift in consumer preferences.
19. The company has a zero-tolerance policy towards any form of \_\_\_\_\_ in the workplace.
20. The financial analyst provided optimistic \_\_\_\_\_ for the company's growth.
21. The actor received critical \_\_\_\_\_ for his outstanding performance.

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



22. The investors engaged in speculation to anticipate market movements.
23. The politician made several antisemitic remarks that sparked outrage.
24. Despite facing challenges she remained calm and accomplished her goals.
25. She maintained her composure even in the midst of chaos.
26. His actions were reflective of his strong moral values.
27. The partnership was severed due to irreconcilable differences.
28. Her persuasive rhetoric swayed the audience in her favor.
29. The artist faced harsh criticism for his latest work.
30. The discriminatory policies were widely regarded as antisemitic.
31. Her talent was finally recognized by the prestigious award committee.

## Answer

**Multiple Choice:** 1. Prenuptial agreement 2. Controversial 3. Resilient 4. Blockbuster 5. Revenue  
6. Discrimination 7. Perspective 8. Critique 9. Contemplated 10. Recognition

**Gap-Fill:** 11. Fortune 12. Backlash 13. Infamous 14. Lawsuit 15. Animate 16. Remarkable 17. Accountability  
18. Emerging 19. Harassment 20. Projections 21. Acclaim

**Matching sentence:** 1. Speculation 2. Antisemitic 3. Accomplished 4. Composure 5. Reflecting 6. Severed  
7. Rhetoric 8. Criticism 9. Antisemitic 10. Recognized

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