

Oppenheimer Stars Unveil Impact of Debut Premiere's Abandonment Amidst Actors' Strike

Description

The renowned film *Oppenheimer*, featuring acclaimed actors Cillian Murphy and Emily Blunt, witnessed unexpected turns of events after part of the cast exited the premiere. This surprising event fuelled curiosity about the Oscar-nominated biographical thriller, causing many to speculate about the incidents occurring behind the scenes.

The cast members disclosed details about the sudden walkout during an appearance on *Jimmy Kimmel Live!*. They explained that the purpose behind this unusual act was to extend their solidarity towards fellow performers during the SAG-AFTRA (Screen Actors Guild – American Federation of Television and Radio Artists) strike. The strike had kickstarted a day after *Oppenheimer*'s UK premiere and exactly a week prior to its debut in North America.

"In true Irish fashion, I went to the bar straight away", said Murphy, while Blunt added, **"We went to the bar in solidarity. A few of us went. Even Robert Downey Jr. joined us. We stayed till 4 am."**

The cast's walkout came into motion following the SAG-AFTRA decision to strike on the day of the film's premiere. Actor Matt Damon alerted the media beforehand about their intention to leave early. The strike ended the subsequent November after SAG-AFTRA agreed to a more lucrative agreement with the Alliance of Motion Picture and Television Producers (AMPTP).

Notwithstanding the unions' restrictions limiting the cast's promotional activities for *Oppenheimer* approaching its release date, the film directed by Christopher Nolan became a phenomenal success. It emerged as the highest-ever moneymaking biopic and the second most profitable R-rated film, amassing a staggering worldwide collection of \$960.2 million. The movie has amassed rave reviews, securing an impressive critics' rating of 93% on Rotten Tomatoes.

Remarkable Success of Oppenheimer:

As anticipated, *Oppenheimer* has gained laurels in the major awards circuit. This World War II era film has pocketed five Golden Globes, seven British Academy Film Awards (BAFTAs), and a Grammy. Further, the film has an impressive line-up for the 96th Academy Awards next month, with 13 nominations in its bag, the most by any film at this year's show, cementing its status as a top Oscar contender.

The biographical thriller tells the riveting tale of the influential theoretical physicist, J. Robert Oppenheimer, played by Murphy, and his crucial role in developing the world's first atomic bomb via The Manhattan Project. The film paints a vivid picture of this historic event and is based on the 2005 novel, *American Prometheus*, authored by Kai Bird and Martin J. Sherwin.



Oppenheimer is currently available to stream on Amazon Prime Video and Apple TV. It can also be accessed on home video platforms.

Source: *Jimmy Kimmel Live!* via YouTube

Vocabulary List:

1. **Renowned** // (adjective): Well-known and respected; famous.
2. **Acclaimed** // (adjective): Highly praised or publicly acknowledged.
3. **Solidarity** // (noun): Unity or agreement of feeling or action, especially among individuals with a common interest; mutual support within a group.
4. **Kickstarted** // (verb): To launch or start something, especially a process or project, quickly or forcefully.
5. **Lurative** // (adjective): Producing a great deal of profit.
6. **Critics** // (noun): People who express an unfavorable opinion of something.

Vocabulary quizzes

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

1. What is the term for unity or agreement of feeling or action especially among individuals with a common interest?

- Option: Renowned
- Option: Solidarity
- Option: Lurative
- Option: Imax

2. What word would be used to describe something extremely large or impressive?

- Option: Whopping
- Option: Sensational
- Option: Array
- Option: Glitzy

3. Which term would best describe someone who has achieved success or is very skillful?

- Option: Anomaly
- Option: Accomplished
- Option: Dormancy
- Option: Exorbitant

4. Who is responsible for investigating deaths in certain circumstances like accidents or suspicious



circumstances?

- Option: Critics
- Option: Coroner
- Option: Whopping
- Option: Imax

5. What term is used to describe something causing great public interest and excitement?

- Option: Renowned
- Option: Sensational
- Option: Array
- Option: Crescendo

6. What word would describe something ostentatiously showy or flashy?

- Option: Glitzy
- Option: Sequins
- Option: Kickstarted
- Option: Array

7. Which term would describe something typically a price that is unreasonably high?

- Option: Dormancy
- Option: Exorbitant
- Option: Surrounded
- Option: Solidarity

8. Which word would refer to a wide range or variety of something?

- Option: Convoy
- Option: Procured
- Option: Helmed
- Option: Array

9. What term is used to describe a state of inactivity or a period of quietness?

- Option: Glitzy
- Option: Laurels
- Option: Dormancy
- Option: Sequins

10. Which term would describe something mysterious puzzling or difficult to understand?

- Option: Imax
- Option: Enthralling
- Option: Influx
- Option: Enigmatic



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

11. The _____ artist's works are sought after by collectors worldwide.
12. The crowdfunding campaign successfully _____ the business idea.
13. Investing in real estate can be very _____ if done wisely.
14. The scale of the project was truly _____; it exceeded everyone's expectations.
15. The current CEO aims to surpass the achievements of his _____.
16. The sudden temperature drop in mid-summer was an _____ according to weather experts.
17. The news of the company's _____ came as a shock to the employees.
18. The mood at the funeral was very _____ reflecting the sadness of the occasion.
19. The suspect had an _____ tattoo on his neck making identification easy.
20. The strict safety protocols _____ that all participants were secure during the event.

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

21. The movie received rave reviews from both fans and alike.
22. The peaceful cottage was by towering trees and a serene lake.
23. The display of fireworks lit up the night sky during the festival.
24. The renowned director the award-winning film that captivated audiences worldwide.
25. The rare artifact was carefully by the museum to add to its collection.
26. The dazzling gown was adorned with shimmering that sparkled under the lights.
27. The successful Kickstarter campaign the ambitious project allowing it to come to life.



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| 28. After winning multiple awards the actress could rest on her knowing she had achieved great success. |
| 29. The sudden of tourists during the holiday season caused traffic jams in the small town. |
| 30. The company made the difficult decision to the production of the outdated model. |

Answer

Multiple Choice: 1. Solidarity 2. Whopping 3. Accomplished 4. Coroner 5. Sensational 6. Glitzy 7. Exorbitant 8. Array 9. Dormancy 10. Enigmatic

Gap-Fill: 11. renowned 12. kickstarted 13. lucrative 14. impressive 15. predecessor 16. anomaly 17. demise 18. sombre 19. unmistakable 20. ensured

Matching sentence: 1. critics 2. surrounded 3. impressive 4. helmed 5. procured 6. sequins 7. kickstarted 8. laurels 9. influx 10. discontinue

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