

## Pascal, Heyman to Lead James Bond for Amazon MGM

### **Description**

Amazon MGM Studios is looking for new overseers for the James Bond franchise, and Amy Pascal and David Heyman are in talks for the role, according to *Variety*. However, a deal cannot be finalized until Amazon completes its purchase of creative control from long-time Bond producers Barbara Broccoli and Michael G. Wilson.

Amy Pascal, who previously led Sony, has found success as a producer post-Sony with projects like the "Spider-Man" franchise and critically acclaimed films like "Challengers" and "Little Women." David Heyman, known for his work on the Harry Potter films and "Fantastic Beasts" series, is also being considered for the role.

Last month, Amazon shook the industry by announcing its acquisition of creative control over the Bond series. The Broccoli family, who has safeguarded the series for years, clashed with Amazon on the series' direction after Daniel Craig's exit as 007 in "No Time to Die," causing delays in new film development and Bond casting.

Amazon MGM declined to comment, but reports suggest that Heyman and Pascal could potentially lead the Bond series into its next chapter.

## **Vocabulary List:**

- 1. **Franchise** /'fræn,tʃaɪz/ (noun): A series of related products or works often involving a common setting and characters.
- 2. **Control** /kən'troʊl/ (noun): The power to influence or direct people's behavior or the course of events.
- 3. **Acquisition** /,ækwɪ'zɪʃən/ (noun): An act of acquiring or obtaining something.
- 4. **Direction** /dəˈrɛkʃən/ (noun): The course along which someone or something moves or points.
- 5. **Safeguard** /'seɪfˌgɑrd/ (verb): To protect from harm or damage.
- 6. **Development** /dɪ'vɛləpmənt/ (noun): The process of developing or being developed such as in production or planning.

# **Comprehension Questions**



### **Multiple Choice**

1. Who are being considered for new overseers of the James Bond franchise by Amazon MGM Studios?

Option: Amy Pascal and David Heyman

Option: Barbara Broccoli and Michael G. Wilson Option: Daniel Craig and Michael G. Wilson Option: The Broccoli family and Amy Pascal

2. What projects have Amy Pascal been successful with post-Sony?

Option: "Spider-Man" franchise and critically acclaimed films like "Challengers" and "Little Women"

Option: Only "Spider-Man" franchise

Option: Movies based on James Bond novels

Option: None of the above

3. Which family has safeguarded the James Bond series for years?

Option: Broccoli family Option: Heyman family Option: Pascal family Option: Craig family

NEWS.COM 4. What caused delays in new film development and Bond casting for the James Bond series?

Option: Clash with Amazon

Option: Daniel Craig's exit as 007 in "No Time to Die"

Option: Amazon MGM's rejection Option: Poor audience reception

5. Who could potentially lead the James Bond series into its next chapter?

Option: Heyman and Broccoli family

Option: Wilson and Pascal Option: Heyman and Pascal Option: Craig and Amazon

6. What industry did Amazon shake by acquiring creative control over the Bond series?

Option: Automobile industry

Option: Tech industry Option: Film industry Option: Fashion industry



#### **True-False**

- 7. Amazon MGM Studios has finalized a deal with Amy Pascal and David Heyman for the James Bond franchise overseer roles.
- 8. The Broccoli family clashed with Amazon on the series' direction after Daniel Craig's departure as 007.
- 9. Reports have confirmed that Heyman and Pascal will lead the Bond series into its next chapter.
- 10. Amy Pascal previously led Warner Bros.
- 11. Barbara Broccoli and Michael G. Wilson are the current overseers of the James Bond franchise.
- 12. David Heyman is known for his work on the

#### **Gap-Fill**

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15. Amazon shook the industry by	announcing its acquisition of creative control over the Bond series last
18. Heyman and Pascal could pote	entially lead the Bond series into its next

### **Answer**

Multiple Choice: 1. Amy Pascal and David Heyman 2. "Spider-Man" franchise and critically acclaimed films like "Challengers" and "Little Women" 3. Broccoli family 4. Daniel Craig's exit as 007 in "No Time to Die" 5. Heyman and Pascal 6. Film industry

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

Gap-Fill: 15. month 18. chapter

#### **CATEGORY**

1. Entertainment - LEVEL3

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