

# Movie Review: Aladdin



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Disney's live-action movie *Aladdin* is a vibrant take on a classic animated movie starring Will Smith as the Genie and Mena Massoud as Aladdin himself. *Aladdin* is about a kind-hearted street urchin desperate to impress a girl who happens to be a princess. In his attempt to impress Princess Jasmine, Aladdin falls prey to the power-hungry Grand Vizier who convinces him to go after the genie's lamp, but Aladdin decides to keep the genie to himself and he is faced with some hard decisions when the power of the genie nearly steers him down the wrong path and almost costs him the girl.

# Check out our movie review on *Aladdin*, a fun-filled film for the whole family!

**Should you see it:** If you're looking for a fun film that teaches the value of friendship and honesty while making you laugh, and that not all girls care about fame and fortune, then *Aladdin* is a great film for your whole family.

**Who to take:** *Aladdin* is great for the whole family, so bring your kids along for this fun family-friendly movie.

## **Cupid's Advice:**

We're inspired by the strong friendship that grows between the Genie and Aladdin, and the unconditional love Jasmine has for Aladdin without him being a prince. It can be hard to do what is right when fame and riches are dangled in front of you, and good friends and people who love you can help you when you're struggling with deciding between doing what's right and what's easy. Cupid has some advice on maintaining a strong friendship or relationship when you are tempted by monetary rewards and fame:

**1. Money and fame are fleeting:** Money and fame may come and go. The people who care about you and have stood by you throughout life's obstacles are more important than something that can be so easily lost. Remember to choose the people who love you before you choose something that could cost you that important relationship, even if it means money and fame. They've earned your support just as they've supported you.

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**2. Make time for each other:** Life can be crazy, and if you add in things like money and fame it can become more hectic than you'd ever imagined. It can be easy to leave your partner or

friends behind if you come into fame and money without realizing you're doing it. Avoid making your friends and partner feel forgotten by making time to spend together, even if it means carving out time in your calendar that no meetings or work can ever be scheduled to ensure you make time for your loved ones, do it because that quality time is important.

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**3. Thank them for their support:** They were there before you made it big, and they loved you before you had fame or money. They supported you so make sure they know you appreciated them being there by saying thank you and by being there for them when they need someone in their corner.

**Have you ever been faced with having to choose between fame or money and doing what is right for your friends or your partner? Share your advice for maintaining those relationships when faced with this kind of dilemma below:**