"The Perks of Being a Wallflower": A Quirky Story About Friendship





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The Perks of Being a Wallflower is all about self-discovery, and Charlie (Logan Lerman) enters his freshman year of high school determined to be less of a loner. He dreams of being a writer, but he's not sure what he would write about. When he finds friends that invite him to be a part of their island for misfit toys, his life takes off into the adventure he's been waiting for. He learns that everyone has a different story and his unique friends Patrick (Ezra Miller) and Sam (Emma Watson) give him something to write about. As high schoolers, the three experience ups and downs along with relationship problems and feelings of self-doubt. With the help of one another, they realize that being themselves is good enough. The movie comes out September 20th.

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Should You See It: We wouldn't write about it if it wasn't worth your time! And for all you Harry Potter fans, it's a chance to see the adorable Emma Watson back on the big screen.

Who To Take: This is going to be a cute movie to go see with your girl friends. It's a movie that guys will be able to enjoy, but it's leaning towards the chick-flick department.

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In the trailer, Sam is having boy troubles and asks why her and the people around her chose to be with people that treat them poorly. Charlie tells her that "we accept the love we think that we deserve." A lot of the time people are so quick to settle for someone who doesn't treat them the way they should, and people should never think that way. So if you take anything from this remember: Do NOT just settle, ever. If you're in a bad relationship there's no reason to believe that what you have is as good as it's going to get. Cupid has some tips to help you look for the right kind of person that you can hopefully spend the rest of your life with:

- 1. Honest: If you keep catching your partner in a lie, there's something fishy going on. If you can't trust 'em, ditch 'em because future problems are guaranteed. Don't fall into a trap of manipulation because it's going to be mentally unhealthy for yourself.
- 2. Genuine: Does your partner sincerely love spending time with you and vice versa? If you feel like the relationship is being forced there's no point in putting work towards something that won't last long term anyways.
- **3. Respectful:** Aretha Franklin sang it best. R-E-S-P-E-C-T is what you deserves and it's what you shall get! This is something that should be mutual throughout the relationship. If you really love one another (and of course arguments

happen) then neither of you should ever say or do anything that makes you feel downgraded.

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