RECOMMENDED FILM

Courses: BACCALAUREATE

Skill: GENEROSITY

Film: THE INTOUCHABLES

Month: December



FILM INFO

Title: The Intouchables

<u>Director</u>: Olivier Nakache, Eric Toledano

Year: 2011

Warning: some rude language

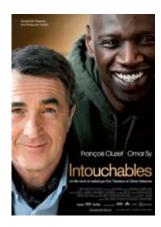
<u>Duration</u>: 109 minutes <u>Production</u>: France <u>Genre</u>: Comedy, drama <u>Music</u>: Ludovico Einaudi

Streaming services where available:









SYNOPSIS

Philippe is an aristocratic millionaire who has been left tetraplegic after a paragliding accident. He hires Driss, an immigrant from a marginal neighbourhood who has just got out of prison as a home help. Although at first glance he does not appear to be the ideal person for the job, the two manage to combine Vivaldi and Earth Wind and Fire, eloquence and hilarity, designer clothing and shell suits. Two opposing worlds gradually merge and forge an absurd, amusing and solid, not to mention unexpected friendship.

QUOTES FROM THE FILM

- "- What is your main motivation?
- Money!"

QUESTIONS FOR YOUR FILM GROUP

- 1. What does the film show you about disability?
- 2. Why was Philippe happier with Driss as a helper than with other helpers who were objectively more qualified? What does Driss do that is different from the others?
- 3. Some critics state that the story does not explore the difference between the two men (especially race and class). What do you think?
- 4. The film is based on a real story. You might be interested in finding out more about the leading character, Philippe Pozzo di Borgo.

[&]quot;I only have my head to lift me up. When the pain leaves me alone, my spirit is left."