

At the Movies 2022: Friendship

Elementary Week 4: Zootopia

Today's Scripture: 1 Sam 16:7b "The LORD does not look at the things people look at. People look at the outside of a person. But the LORD looks at what is in the heart."

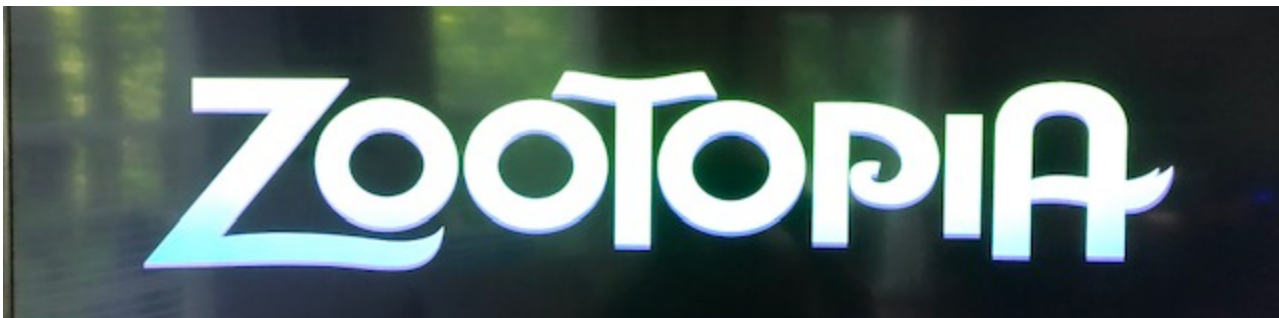
Question of the Day: Why is it important to trust your friends the way you want to be trusted?

Bottom Line: Trust your friends the way you want to be trusted.

Memory verse: "Don't look out only for your own interests, but take an interest in others, too." Phil 2:4 NLT

Time: 37:10

Start at 53 seconds the title "Zootopia" comes up



Stop at 2:37 Judy says she'll be a police officer; parents look sad/concerned



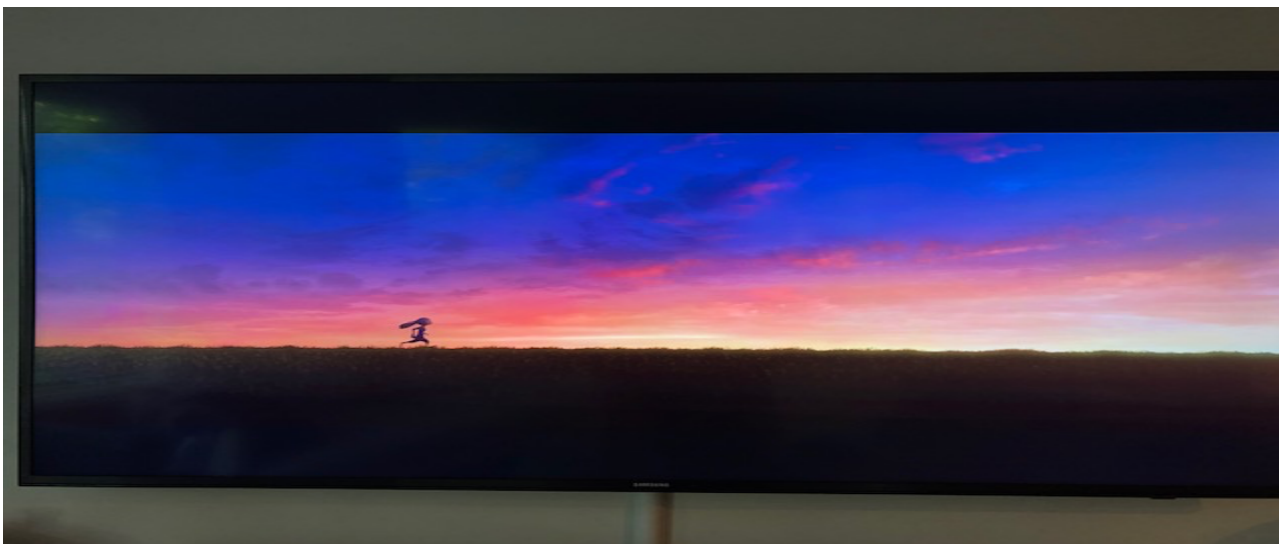
Start 5:49 "Zootopia Police Academy" sign



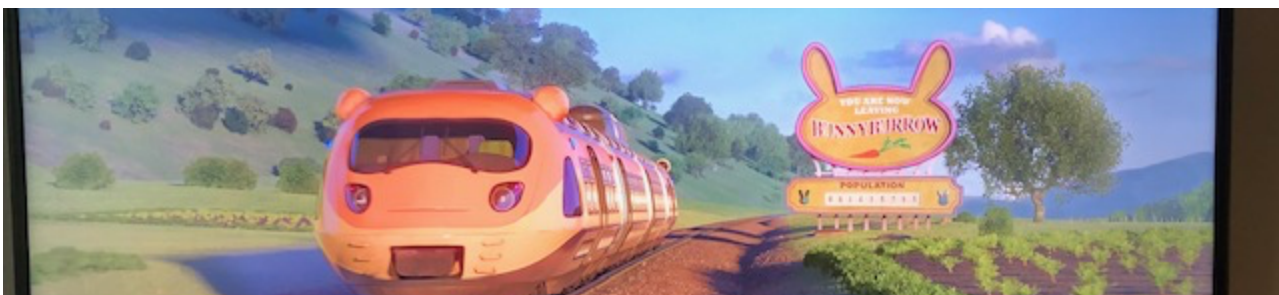
Stop 6:30 after the last “dead” when she falls from the vine. **(don't include the bathroom scene)**



Start 6:40 as Judy runs along the horizon listening to voices



Stop 10:03 as the train goes by the “leaving Bunnyville” sign



Start 12:34 The last line of the song “Try everything”



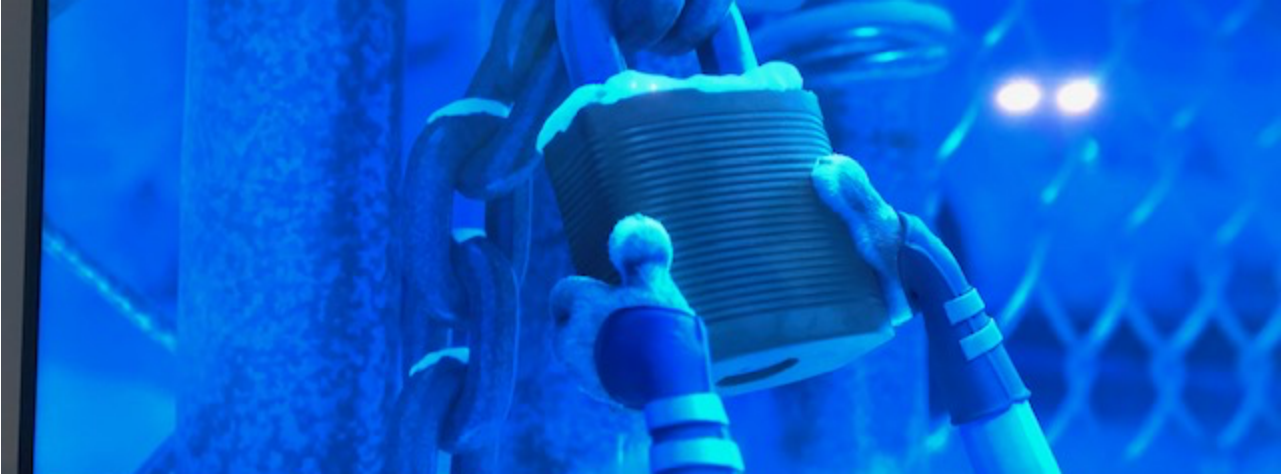
Stop 16:08 When Judy says “parking duty” (Total time approximately 9 min 30 sec)



Host: “Hey friends! Welcome back to “Northview Kids: At the movies”! All month long, we’re watching clips from some great movies and learning about **what it means to be a good friend**. I know all of you have good friends, maybe even a best friend. They might be a lot like you which is why it’s so easy to be friends. But what happens when you know someone who’s **REALLY** different from you? Are you able to trust them and treat them as a friend?”

In our movie today Judy just arrived in Zootopia and is SO excited to be the first bunny police officer. Not many people believe she can do it and she’s determined to do a good job! When she gets assigned to parking duty she’s not happy about it but she quickly gets to work writing tickets. Soon she meets Nick, a fox who cannot be trusted. Judy confronts Nick who responds by saying she’s not a real cop. In her excitement to show that she is a **REAL** cop she leaves her parking duty and chases down a thief. Later Chief Bogo finds out & threatens to fire her but instead assigns her to the case of a missing otter named Emmitt. He gives her 48 hours to solve the case or she’ll be **FIRE**D! So Judy tricks Nick into helping her. They figure out where Emmitt was last seen and the car he was in, including the license plate number. Let’s watch & see what happens next. **(total time approximately**

Start 44:31 Judy is pulling on the padlock



Stop 45:45 when they look into the car



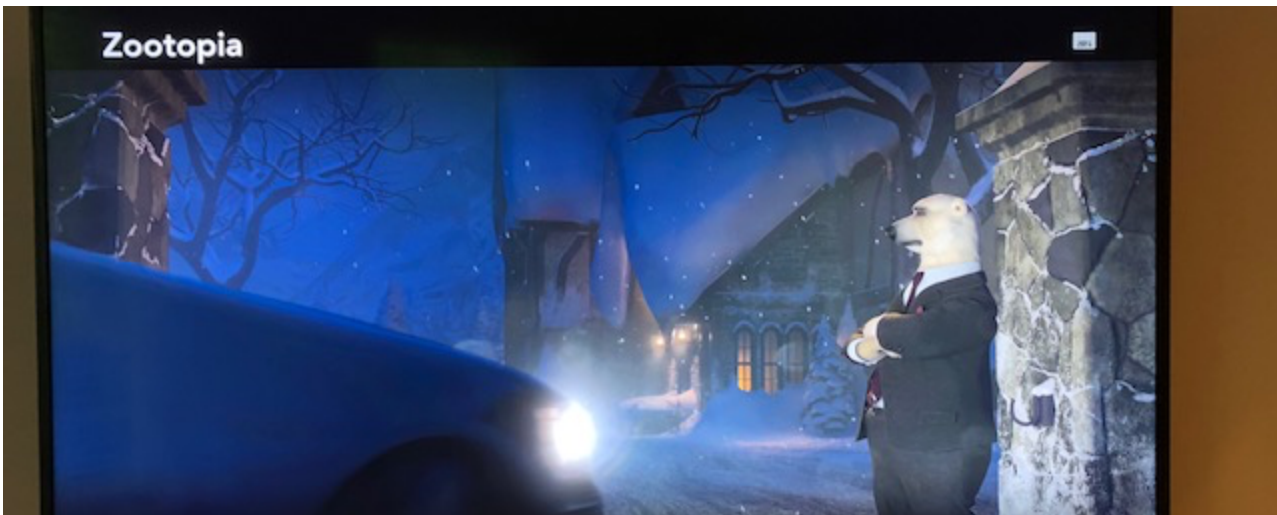
Start 46:04 when the fox opens the dividing window in the car



Stop 47:09 driving in the car



Start 47:37 driving past the polar bear guard



Stop 57:30 Judy & Nick walk away from Chief Bogo (Total time approx 13 min)

Host: Wow! Judy and Nick went from not liking or trusting each other at all to working together on this important case. They're starting to become friends. Judy & Nick find the missing animals, realize the Mayor has been hiding it from the city and soon know something WORSE is happening.....someone is purposely causing the animals to go savage". As they work to figure it out Judy unfortunately hurts Nick's feelings when he realizes she's suspicious of him because he's a fox.

This reminds me of an important verse in the Bible. It comes from 1 Samuel 16:7 and it's when God is choosing a new King for Israel. The prophet Samuel is looking at all the things we can see in a person, like their height, their strength, even if they're handsome. But God had chosen young David to be King, he was the youngest of all his brothers & probably the weakest and least impressive. God says this, "**The Lord does not look at the things people look at. People look at the outward appearance but the Lord looks at the**

heart.” Judy was looking at Nick’s outward appearance, the fact that he was a fox, and she was scared of him. But if she had looked at his heart she would have seen that he had a good heart and he was a good friend. God wants us to see others like He sees them. He wants us to consider who they are on the inside, not the outside. When we do that we can trust our friends the way we want to be trusted.

Back to our story. Judy & Nick go their separate ways and as things get worse in the city Judy decides to quit and go back to the carrot farm. While there, she figures out what’s happening to the “savage” animals and decides she has to fix it, even if Nick never trusts her again. She apologizes & he forgives her then they go back to the city, set a trap and catch the culprit! Let’s check it out!

Start 1:20:23 as Judy follows Nick under the tunnel



Stop 1:21:50 when they laugh



Start 1:28:30 Nick & Judy turn around and run toward mayor Bellweather



Stop 1:32:30 When Judy says “it’s your word against yours”



Start 1:34 Police academy graduation scene



Stop: 1:34:40 (total time approx 2 min 20 sec)



Host: What a great ending! Once Judy & Nick were able to see each other like God sees us & trust each other, they did amazing things together. Remember our bottom line friends: **Trust your friends like you want to be trusted!**

As you head back to small groups, take some time to answer the question of the day.

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Thanks for joining us for At the Movies! Be sure to come back next week!