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MOVIE REVIEW (FURIOUS 7)

It seems like the 7th movie of Fast and Furious sequel has becoming an action/family movie. Not just overwhelming action but also emotional scenes among the “crew” . It’s been 15 years since the first movie of the sequel but Fast and furious never disappoint the audiences and 7th is not the end. Furious 7 is a big blockbuster and success (again) for the sequel. Newbie Jason Statham joined in the movie, action scenes, typical action movie plot are all gather in Furious 7. It’s not only an action movie but also a family one, a nice farewell to Paul Walker.

After defeating an international terrorist Owen Shaw (furious 6th), Dominic Toretto (Vin Diesel), Brian O’Conner (Paul Walker) and the rest of the gang return to their normal life. Unfortunately, Deckard Shaw (Jason Statham) - Owen’s brother, is about to revenge for his younger brother. The crew’s helped by a government organization in exchange to rescue a computer hacker.

The appearance of Jason Statham as Deckard Shaw at the and of Furious 6 made the fans more excited and shocked. “The Transporter”- Jason Statham famous as a clinking racer and a bold gunman. Therefore his appearance will definitely not easy for the crew. Truly, the introduction of Deckard Shaw at the beginning of the movie is definitely the best and the most awesome out of seven Fast and Furious movies when he destroyed a whole police army to kill Han (former member of the crew) as revenging for his younger brother.

The movie took place from dangerous mountain slope to the luxurious city Abu Dhabi and back to familiar L.A streets. For each sequel, the producer always make sure to create a new level of action. Furious 7 is not an exception. Fan or not, you will be excited to see fighting scene between Satham and Diesel, the two “action man” . As expected, they never disappointing us. Deckard somehow always appear wherever Toretto is, mess up Toretto’s plan. The car racing, face to face fight between two men are over expected. Your eyes will will stick to the screen every seconds and your mouth will automatically open (widely) . Not only the men, there is a tension catfight between the women, Letty (Michelle Rodriguez) and Kara (Ronda Rousey). Sexy and fierce in one scene, what’s more better? Cars in Furious 7 can fly. Yes, real fly. Physical theories are totally inversed.

Special effects and action scenes are big advantages of the the movie but the plot somehow is its weakness. Using familiar and simple motifs for a regular action movie but the twists and points are somehow unreasonable. It seems like the plot is written to “fit” the action scenes but when the action scenes do not follow the natural theory, the illogical scenario is undeniable.

Furious 7 is a special mark of this sequel since it’s the last time we see Paul Walker on screen. The sudden departure of Paul Walker is a big lost for the movie, the ekip had to create a reasonable ending for the movie. Simultaneously, use the movie as a deep gratitude to Paul. With whole efforts, Brian O’Conner is still alive and Paul Walker is the spirit of the movie. There are lots of prediction for Paul Walker’s character in the movie. The producer has chosen a great way to let him go: Paul Walker will remain alive in every footages. We can all believe that both Brian and Paul will live happily ever after.

“So let the light guide your way, yeah

Hold every memory as you go

And every road you take, will always lead you home, home”

When the lyrics “See you again” is played, we all pay tribute to Paul Walker. There is a callback to the first film and some dialogue between Toretto and O’Conner. Fan or non fan, it is very emotional at the end of the film, we all know Paul Walker is in heaven.

The 7th film of the Fast and Furious once again asserted itself as a blockbuster and did not disappoint the audiences. Besides overwhelmed action scenes, the movie also shows the meaningful messages about family and friends. For Paul Walker is always in the movie, in our heart.