




Another point of view

Schindler's list is based on the novel "Schindler's ark" written in 1982 by Thomas Keneally. Because of the high success of the book, the movie was adapted in 1998. It was directed and produced by Steven Spielberg and written by Steven Zaillian. On account of the great production by the producers and cast, they won many awards, such as: The Academy Award for Best Picture, Academy Award for Best Music, Academy Award for Best Direction, BAFTA award for Best Film, Golden Globe Award for Best Motion Picture and Academy Award for Best Writing. The film takes place during the old Nazi Poland, where the Jews were exterminated by the German regime. It is shown in black and white, so that the viewers can find it more realistic, except in some scenes, like in the end, when all the Holocaust survivors that Schindler saved are shown, because they live in the present and the director wants us to feel more involved.

Schindler's list is about how the firstly selfish man, with open ideas and a lot of weal to get rich, evolves into growing a heart and investigating his inner thoughts and feelings. Schindler is a man who is new in a town during the second world war and when the Holocaust starts, and he seeks to meet powerful politicians from the Nazi political party to gain power. He wants to have a name and feel important, so he decides to start a different company that hires Jews for free. This way, he can be able to earn a lot of money without worrying about the worker's salary. At first, he doesn't care about the well-being of his workers, only about the wealth he is getting with his work. As the film progresses, we can see how he is not really a faithful follower of Nazi ideology, but rather he feels sorry for the victims of the Holocaust and his empathy starts developing. Later on, he realizes how cruel and inhuman the Nazis are and how the torture they make them go through really is. In the end he decides to renounce his wealth in order to buy 1100 Jews and take care of them while they work in his factory. At the end of the film, when the Russians arrived in Poland, we can see how Oskar apologizes to all the Jews and tells them that he feels sorry, since he could have saved many more people. This is the story of a man who learns the values of life.

After watching the movie, we have many opinions that we'd like to share. Although the film is very slow and long, we think that this movie needed to be slow-paced in order to fully understand it. This way, we were able to process all the new information with more time and because of this, we think it was thought-provoking. If you're looking for a dramatic movie, this is not the movie you're looking for. This is not just a movie, it is based on real life facts where millions of innocent people were murdered and all the tragedy that occurred was a journey to hell. The soundtrack makes you feel inside the film, since the classic melodies bring you back to the past. It also emphasizes the hardest scenes. On the other hand, the special effects and make-up are so achieved, powerful and dramatic, they give the ultimate realism to the movie. The setting was adapted perfectly, none of the scenes contained anachronisms, this way the film felt more realistic and professional. The acting wasn't over the top and we saw that this made the movie more real and easier to understand.



The writing and the script were well managed, because it wasn't out of context and by making it slower-paced and more developed, we were able to go through the movie and comprehend the most complicated parts.

From my point of view, Schindler's list is not a film to spend a Friday afternoon watching with your whole family and have fun, but it is a necessary movie to reflect on the mistakes of human beings and see how cruel people are. Although it is not a hilarious movie, everyone on this planet should watch it, as it is insightful and poignant. Although it is an offbeat movie, it is a first-rate work. I definitely recommend it to everyone; it is important to learn from our mistakes and to recognize all those victims who were killed in the Holocaust. All of us should learn from Oskar Schindler, for the way in which he sacrifices himself for the Jews and his courage to leave his Nazi ideology and save hundreds of people.

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