

The Scorch Trials

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The Scorch Trials, the second installment of the book-based trilogy, *The Maze Runner*, came to theatres on September 16th. In this movie, the teen gladers are still on the run from WCKED (World In Catastrophe: Killzone Experiment Department), but instead of trying to escape the maze, they break out of WCKED headquarters to find a resistance group, The Right Arm, in the mountains.

The movie was fast paced and action-packed film from the very beginning and stayed that way until the last second. Taking place in a post-apocalyptic world, *The Scorch Trials* follows Thomas (Dylan O'Brien), Newt, (Thomas Brodie-Sangster), and Minhó (Ki Hong Lee) as they navigate their way from WCKED.

The dystopian genre has become a popular one lately. Movies are coming out one after another with the same basic plot line. There are many movies similar to the *Maze Runner* series, but none offer the same quality of secrecy and suspense that these movies have.

One of the best parts of the movie were the eerie effects, especially gross zombies. Explosions had us ducking for cover because they were so realistic.

The actors did well with what they had to work with; however, his writing is where *The Scorch Trials* fell short. Some lines were cheesy and unnatural. In this case, maybe the writers should not have strayed far from the book.

Overall, we enjoyed *The Scorch Trials* and recommend it for anyone who liked *The Hunger Games* and *Divergent*. We give this movie 3.5/5 stars. See *The Scorch Trials* at your local movie theater.

