

Movie Review: 21 is not much more than a time waster

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Gambling is an addiction that passes far beyond the roulette table. Movies and TV are absolutely overflowing with casinos, playing cards, and starchy poker faces.

If you haven't had your gambling fix yet, the new blackjack based movie *21* might fill your entertainment needs even if it does nothing

more. The film revolves around a group of MIT students who are math-whizzes, and use card-counting techniques to tip the games in their favor.

Like many films, the set-up for more than mediocre.

The primary antagonist Cole William is played by Laurence Fishburne, and he delightfully cold and brutal, if one-dimensional. Kate Bosworth similarly portrays the brainy

and attractive Jill Taylor, who is supportive and serious and rarely anything more.

The card-counting plot might come across as semi-feasible for those like me who are unfamiliar with blackjack, but the reality is that the entire thing falls apart under scrutiny. Most movies require a suspension of disbelief, but to base an entire movie around a technique that is next to

impossible under modern conditions is something else entirely.

Ultimately *21* is nothing more than another gambling movie that requires the user to forget the most basic rule of a casino: the house always come out on top. Casinos don't operate at a loss. If you are willing to forgive factual problems, *21* might prove to be a pretty decent time-waster.

MITCH-O-SCOPES



In honor of the third anniversary of Mitch Hedberg's death on April 1st, horoscopes this week will be made up of quotes from Mitch Hedberg

Aries: If you see a wino eating grapes, tell him, "Dude, you have to wait!"

Taurus: You should look into a career as a racecar passenger. You would just be someone who bugs the driver by saying things like, "Why do you keep going in circles?" and "Man, you really like Tide."

Gemini: Help your friend stay put this week. It's a lot easier than helping them move. Just go over to their house and make sure they don't start loading stuff into a truck.

Cancer: Drink some boiling water and see if it makes you whistle.

Leo: Highlight your hair. Show the world that you think some strands are more important than others.

Virgo: Bleach your teeth. Or if you don't want to do that, just get a tan instead.

Libra: If you have a kid, you should buy a baby name book. Or, if you can't afford one, just invite somebody over who is wearing a cast.

Scorpio: If you go to a doctor, do not go to see Dr. Acula. All he does is suck blood from your neck.

Sagittarius: Your dorm room will get infested with koala bears. It will be the cutest infestation ever.

Capricorn: Do not get an ant farm. Those fellas don't grow nothing.

Aquarius: Hang a map of the world in your dorm and put pins in the locations of all the places you have traveled to. But first, travel to the top two corners of the world, so that the map doesn't fall down.

Pisces: McDonald's commercials always end by saying "prices and participation may vary." You should open a McDonald's and not participate in anything. When people ask you for hamburgers, say, "Nope, we've got spaghetti. And blankets."

Make your own "Nude"!!!!

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Radiohead fans can now make their own version of the song "Nude" off of "In Rainbows" with the release of *Nude (Make Your Own Remix)*.

"Nude" is one of the more pleasantly tranquil songs off of "In Rainbows". What iTunes and Garageband have provided for die hard fans are five separate 'stems' of the original track. Bass, drum, guitar, string fx etc, and voice 'stems' are all available for purchase so the remixer can

orchestrate their own version or add their own beats with instrumentation.

Fans who buy all five 'stems' before April 8, will be sent a code through e-mail to access a free Garageband project file, to send to Garageband, but you don't require Garageband to the remix. iTunes Plus allows you the freedom to compose and is attuned to several music software programs.

The best part is fans can upload their finalized remixes to www.radioheadremix.com and vote for their favorite remix. Voting stops on May 1st.

