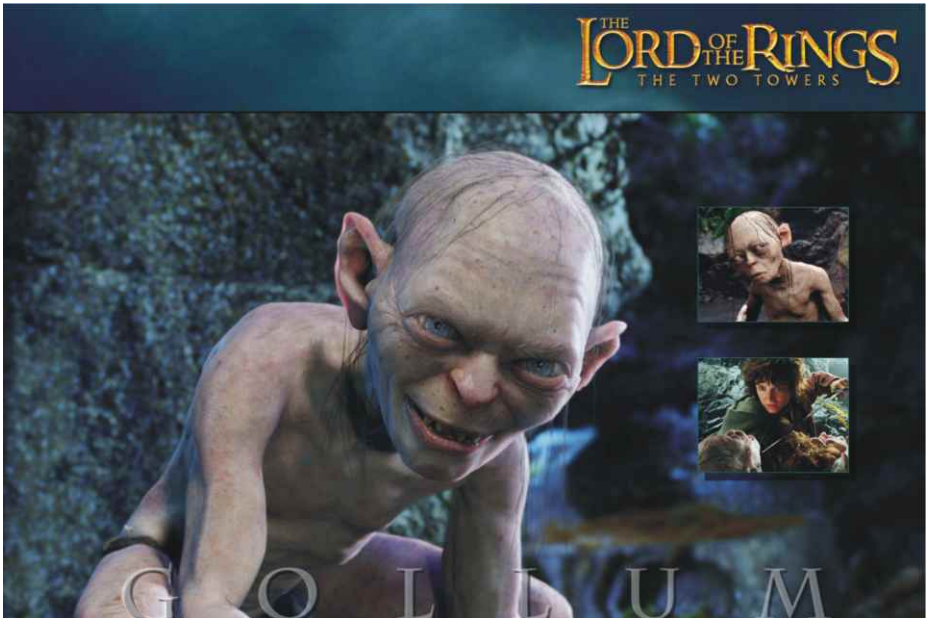


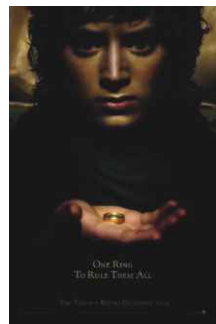
The Lord of the Rings

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The Lord Of The Rings, directed by Peter Jackson, is a great fantasy movie. It has a very complicated storyline, and you need to watch the trilogy in order to completely understand it. It has a lot of characters and it is hard to distinguish the different characters. This film won 11 Oscars, some being Best picture, Best music, Best direction, and adapted screenplay from the book etc. This masterpiece from J.R.R. Tolkien's book is a very great movie filmed in New Zealand.

The different races seen in the movie are Elves, Dwarves, Hobbits, Wizards, Humans and so forth, also languages like Elvish, Dwarvish, English and Black Speech. The story is set in Middle-Earth way back in the past. Gondor a human kingdom fights the evil Orcs of Mordor who serve the evil Lord Sauron. There is the other kingdom of Humans the Rohan who consistently fight the evil obbits (Frodo Baggins and Samwise Gamgee) fulfill



the task of destroying the ring by throwing it into the volcanic mountain where it was initially made. The evil forces guard this mountain. Gollum guides Frodo and Sam. But Gollum's addiction to the ring grows more and more powerful. He eventually wanted to destroy Sam and Frodo. Even though he tries to kill Frodo and Sam, they survive. In the end Gollum, also known as Smeagol, dies because he tries to take the ring from Frodo near Mt.Doom, where the ring was supposed to be destroyed at first. Frodo and Sam push Smeagol into the molten lava, the ring also goes into the fire with Gollum, and is destroyed.



Of the different races the elves live in different lands that are different from each other, some live in Rivendell, while others live in Mirkwood forest and many more places all around the forests. The Dwarves mostly live in the Mines Of Moria. The Hobbits live mostly in the Shire; some live elsewhere. The hobbits are very small people and they do not concern themselves with the wars of others. The Ents are a race of trees that can speak and walk because of special water coming from a mystic river. The new places and characters arouse the interest of the audience.



The battle scenes are very amazing and breathtaking to watch because of the detail and the animation. The animations look like real characters. The greatest animation is the one of a main character called Gollum who agreed to take Frodo Baggins and Samwise Gamgee to Mordor to destroy the ring. It is very interesting to watch the emotions expressed by Gollum. We forget that it is a computer-generated character.



The ending of the movie is the well-known fact that "Good triumphs over evil". Greediness destroys the life of Gollum. Of the trilogy I like the third movie the most.

