

COMMENTS ABOUT MAD WORLD LEFT ON NETFLIX, 2012-13

EACH COMMENT BEGINS WITH A RATING OUT OF 5. NR MEANS NO RATING.

5/5 I checked this movie out at a fest in Cleveland and I couldn't believe how good it ended up being. In the begging I thought, oh no here comes another one of those teen movie, but as it progressed it got more and more bold and interesting. Its a brutal film that tugged at my heart and my inner rage. I want to talk about what happens, but I don't want to ruin it. I will just say this, its a must see.

NR - In the beginning, I almost turned this movie off because it felt really lame and the acting was off. I'm glad I stuck with it because as I got to know the characters it made more sense and I was actually able to relate to my own adolescent experiences. This movie made me laugh AND cry hysterically, but what was unique about it was that I was laughing/crying WITH them and not at or for them, which is unusual for me and a movie. It left me disturbed and without appetite, and incredibly grateful for my surrounding. I thought that the very ending was absolutely perfect as well. The only other thing that's kind of iffy for me is it's portrayal of some things. As another review on this said, I think the goal was to pity them and not to empathize necessarily. Also, just because a movie is portraying a character that has a common (and controversial) characteristic, doesn't mean always that the movie is trying to generalize things such as conservatives or shooters. In viewing this as a story and simply a story in itself as a universe in a bubble, these boys had a fucked up world and it really sparks up some thoughts, at least for me.. Is it futile to go against the system?

NR - This movie is a lesson. It was not made to entertain, it was made to educate. Think about that before you say the acting was bad, or the controversy was gratuitous. If you think the situations in this film are over-the-top or exaggerated, think again. This can give perspective to you if you think you live in a perfect world.

5/5 Must see, interesting and unique film. Great transitions and excellent

direction.

5/5 My Husband saw it a film fest in Los Angeles and wouldnt stop talking about it because he enjoyed it so much. He said the film was full authentic characters and a wonderfully crafted story line. Cant wait to see it...i hear it's fantastic!!!

NR - I thought I wouldn't like this film, but it grew on me very quickly. The acting is great, the point of view is unique, and I liked how it seemed real and not over-produced. A great mix of dark comedy and drama. Wonderfully weird.

5/5 This is a unique and awesome film, thought provoking and a great watch. Wish there were more films like this.

NR - Saw this film at the Beverly Hills festival and i must say it is memorable in a good way... i was looking for it on dvd. amazon says may24th! I love indie films thats arent afraid to be bold...! this film hits home. weather you have lived this life or not you have to diffently feel for what happens here. i here about this stuff alot in the news and just relatives across the USA. Sad but true what goes on in this film..

5/5 It's a really moving picture. Really glad to've been hipped to it. Our culture can be so cold and indifferent. These characters have a ton of heart and depth. Lots of twisted turns.

5/5 When will this be on Instant Watch? Saw this at a film festival, have been raving about it to friends. Really want to see it again. Great mixture of absurdist humor and heart-felt drama. The director really made me care about the characters.

5/5 This film is searing and sharp and jagged and funny and cruel. You may laugh, cringe, cry and get angry; but you won't be bored. It attacks the issues that kids face in schools today with bared fanged teeth and no holds barred. Don't watch it if you can't deal with the realities of teenage sex, racism, parental cruelty, bullying, drugs, kinky behavior, rape and violence.

You will recognize yourself and your friends in the characters, but what is revealed about who we are may shock you. A recent review by Richard Propes, The Independent Critic, said:"Written and directed by Cory Cataldo, Mad World is about a world gone mad for these four high school students who find themselves in a nightmarish, drugged-out existence while growing up in conservative America. Remember when Uwe Boll tried to tackle the Columbine killings with his Heart of America? Where Boll didn't quite get there, Cataldo actually succeeds in painting a picture that is so deliriously realistic that you're not quite sure if you're supposed to laugh or cry."The film is narrated by Will... relative newcomer Dylan Vigus is a solid find who makes the most of his time front and center. Vigus manages to be sympathetic, compelling and a bit repulsive as the rather sad sack Will. At times, Will is so morose that you find yourself thinking "Heck, even I'd pick on him." Then, it hits you "That's how it all begins." Vigus's Will is infinitely watchable and intriguing. For the most part, the remainder of the quartet is solid as well "

5/5 The best movie i have seen in a long time, Cory Cataldo captured the emotions of his characters like no other. Very thought provoking and a must see (maybe not for the younger crowd) but again the BEST movie i have seen in a long time

1/5 This is a terrible film. It's poorly acted, lacks any subtlety, it's poorly filmed and has poor production values. The dialogue goes something like "f you, f you", accompanied by an imbecilic monologue. There are scenes that made me cringe ı for example, a very obese older teen being spanked by his father. It was gratuitous and disgusting. I chose it because of the five star reviews. These must be sham reviews. I could understand someone giving it 3 stars, but a bunch of reviewers giving it 5 stars? No way. The only reason I've bothered to write this review instead of moving on to a different film are these fake 5 star reviews. I love a good little indie film. I disliked this one intensely. And I don't like sham reviews.

NR - The acting was soooo bad, I couldn't make it past the first 1/2 hour of this piece of crap. The teachers in the movie are unrealistic and would be fired for conducting themselves in such a manner in a public school. Stupid

actors, stupid plot, and a really stupid movie.

5/5 WOW! I loved this movie!!! I just read up on the film and found out it was shot entirely on mini dv and was shot for the same budget as the blair witch project. This is definitely the best mini dv movie ever made!! Watch This Movie!

4/5 Interesting movie which brings up many poignant issues facing kids in American schools today. The director was able to get great performances from his actors and thru them present his vision clearly and with jarring realism.

4/5 I am not sure what to say! The acting is extremely good, but my God the movie is one of the most disturbing I've seen. In most cases sick people raise sick people. It is scary to think that some of the sick are currently raising bullies, mass murderer, sadist, rapist and totalitarian sicko leaders. One of the most disturbing things is that I found myself actually rooting the four lead guys on, knowing it would lead to their demise; understanding deep down the need to fight back. The film is worth a look-see, but be forth warned you may be distressed by what you see!!!

NR - This movie is very stupid. All it is is a bunch of bullies pot smoking idiots. And the part where the father makes the mother have sex with her son is disgusting. Its just a sick disturbing movie. I hated it. People wonder why some kids act the way they do when film makers make garbage like this. Worst movie Ive seen in a long time.

NR - Without knowing anything about the makers of this film, I'd guess that it's a movie made by teens for teens. (Or first year film students with a fairly large budget and absolutely no imagination.) If I hadn't been ill and pretty much confined to bed I would never have watched more than five minutes of it. The full hour and a half of vile language and scatological action should be enough to satiate even the most dedicated adolescent looking for cheap thrills online. If you're 12, this will probably seem like scorching social commentary, but it would be hard for me to imagine anyone over the legal

limit being anything but disgusted by this piece of cinematic offal.

5/5 This is a very unique film and a must see!!! I really Like that this movie showed the other side, I noticed the reviews, either they love it or hate it.

2/5 A trivial and exploitative movie.. How many abusive parents and rapist football stars does it take to incite a sensitive boy to murder? The only redeeming feature of the flick was the really extraordinary acting of the four stars.. Incredibly engaging young talent, all four, wasted on a predictable and "headline of the week" film. Just to save anyone the trouble, the plot involves four alienated high school boys, whose lives are a caricature of abuse and cruelty, one of whom is eventually driven to suicide, in the case of the "good" student; and a Columbine style massacre by the remaining three. One survives, and is executed. We all feel bad. The end. This film does nothing to explore the real emotional depths of adolescence, just sets up hyperbolic situations that lead to a predictable conclusion. Watch at your emotional peril..

4/5 SPOILERS!! think what everyone finds so upsetting about this film is how it portrays people who massacre students at a school in the protagonist position. However, it is important to note that this film does not empathize with these people. This film sympathizes them. That ever so slight, yet ever so important distinction is the redeeming quality of this movie. To deny that there is something wrong with people who do those horrible things, whether it be an unrelenting bully in an apathetic system, or an abusive parent, or even if they were just born that way, would be a fallacy. This film doesn't say we should understand why people do horrible things such as the protagonists in this film, but that we should pity them.

NR - Such a stereotype. According to this movie, all conservatives are sexual predators, racists, and sadists. That's all I can really say. It actually tries to make you feel sorry for a bunch of murdering social retards!

1/5 Attempts to tell a good story, but ends up confusing "increased

intensity" with "increased swearing."

1/5 This movie is horrible. It's like watching the home movies of idiots. Save yourself from the bad acting and inane script which puts shock value over any real substance. I can honestly say that I hate every single person involved with making this film. If you wanted the audience to feel bad for the characters, you've failed miserably. Those characters should feel bad for us instead.

1/5 this was honestly the worst movie ive ever seen in my life. i was inspired for the first time in my life, to write an email to the site we are on to ask why they would approve such an awful film for their site. Mad World is nothing but petty, juvenile and exploitative all in the name of being "edgy and controversial" but doesnt even achieve that, instead it achieves simple stupidity. On top of those feelings, the editing made me want to die. EVERYTHING is a slow crossfade, including one scene where FIVE visuals are playing out on top of each other, none of which is clear enough to be the focus. This scene lasts for a solid 3 minutes. Shame on those who gave this five stars, clearly the director has some loyal friends with Net***x accounts.

1/5 MAD WORLD is 90 minutes of unmitigated, assinine trash made by passionate teenyboppers. Predictable and absurd, this movie represents the creeped out sensibility of amateur cultural commenters of 2010, endorsed by countless blank-faced, empty headed Californians. Utter rubbish.

1/5 Dear God this is the most ridiculous movie I have ever seen!!!! A complete shock value bonanza. Amateur story telling that tries to cash in on some very dark moments in modern America. Don't waste your time

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2/5 I'm really annoyed this got good reviews. I guess a lot of would be teens watched this movie. It is just another movie glorifying the idea that you should be worse than those who treat you bad. I'm a thirty something and got picked on enough in high school but it's just a drop in the bucket in the grand scheme of things. This wasn't eye opening, or thought provoking, or really anything but overdone. The dialogue was horrible and for kids that were supposed to be smart they didn't make much sense. I don't want to get too deep into this but I just hoping kids watching this realize that high school is part of growing up and once the people around you grow up things work out alright. Just surround yourself by good people and you will have a fulfilling life. Those my age and older watching this, give you kids a hug and make sure they know that.

NR - I was extremely disappointed in this film. There was such potential everywhere in the story. The subject matter was there but it was diluted with controversial events that just felt unnecessarily inserted. Pure shockvalue, edgy no f*cked up most certainly.

4/5 Its a shocking portrayal of the lives of four seemingly normal friends who try to cope with living in a racist single minded southern town. We see how this town crushes there souls and brings the four together and forces them to take a stand . this is one movie that doesnt disappoint!

3/5 please pleeeeeease be advised this movie is VERY disturbing. i can't believe it's on the site.

3/5 in the begginin of the movie i thought i was going to be dumb and not interesting, it didnt get interesting until more in the middle to end of it, but i must say its goes to show you that theres more to life then taking crap from others an just take charge an controll of your own life an shows that there more to life then taking your own...

3/5 Just finished watching this movie. and I can't believe I am crying. Although I KNEW what was going to happen, it still made me cry. Some people I'm sure will think "Yeah right. Like those kinds of things really happen...." Well, guess what kiddos.....stuff like that happens more often than you think. Often times, by people you would consider "respectable". Yep. It's a sad, mad world.

3/5 A while back, I watched a film called Hero Wanted. One of the things that stood out to me was Gary Cairns' powerful performance in the piece. I decided to watch some of his other films, and came along Mad World. This films took risks, and as an artist, I respect that. The film was shot on mini DV, the production had many scheduling issues, and was shot for virtually no money. With those things in mind, it wasn't bad. The premise was good, though a bit cliché, but the writing could have been better. Luckily, Gary managed to take the overly-vulgar dialogue and make it seem meaningful, and much more deep than what was probably written. Overall, I wouldn't recommend, but I will continue watching Gary's films. He's got a promising career ahead of him.

2/5 I'll give this two stars as the film ends up becoming funny, with terrible dialogue, poor acting, and with this the subject matter is truly lost.

5/5 Great, great movie. EVERYONE should at least watch it once. Things happen for a reason and things can be avoided on the same note.

1/5 boring. exaggerated. sometimes exaggeration is good if its the artistic intention...this was desperately so. ugh. no more words to describe how useless the shock value was, just an utterly useless, poorly acted, poorly shot movie.

3/5 extremely depressing and a C in production quality. A+ in subject matter. I particularly appreciated John's character. Oddly uplifting.

4/5 i really like this movie because i remember when i grew up i saw a lot of the same things happening. im just glad that i was able to help some of my classmates that weren't able to help themselves yet. I must say this is a messed up world but hopefully there are still those who care and understand. I would definitely suggest this movie to others. i enjoyed it a lot .

NR - This movie felt so real, that's why parents should pay attention to their kids bullying people to that extreme was so hateful but in the end I totally understood where the guys were coming from they were forced up against the wall and they came out swinging. It was a bond between four guys that wherein some way were all apart of abusive homes and had no support from none of the adults in the film that was the saddest part. This is a wake up call to parents and school officials.

NR - This is a great flick..... it would have been a historical flick, but the writer seemed to be over zealous. The fat kid was obviously a funny fat guy type who wasn't very adept at drama...comes off as bland and dull in serious moments, but serves ok as the narrator. The build of the movie is amazing. Maybe not if you weren't one of the outcast yourself, but I was reminded time and again of my friends from high school. I was very much like the character Cory... the films real lead.... who sadly becomes more of a joke than a hero for the hallway kids due to the story telling. The movie's

main flaw is the ending... instead of going for cheese a la Revenge of the Nerds the writer decided to go ...I don't want to ruin it... but in a farcical violent direction that lost all semblance of realism...it was very sad... It was almost like you could hear the writer's inner dork say.... "and this is when the hunted become the hunter grrrr" as he tossed off on some mint G.I.joe figurines. What would have been great is if they continued the unflinching real story they started. That would be a bully story..... maybe add a joke that there is far more scholarships for people with a GED...which there are..... show the beautiful people grow up and learn and feel what failing is. I don't know...I'm not part of this film's circle... but it was sad to have such a should be powerful film lead up to something so base and ...lifeless really. I say watch it.... get to about the hour and ten mark...and turn it off and decide for yourself what happens.

1/5 Disappointing. Like another reviewer said: the movie had potential but was convoluted with unnecessary things. It ended up being a hugs and tears fest between guy friends - I'm surprised they didn't kiss. Also, some of the traumatic things the boys endured felt harshly over exaggerated. Even as a person who had a rough child hood and ran around with a trouble-making crowd, I didn't feel much of a connection with the characters - perhaps due to mediocre (at best) acting. However, if you thoroughly enjoy the F word and watching other people smoke then this movie is for you. Enjoy!

3/5 The things that happen to the young men in this movie are true to life---- it's something that a lot of people even in many Churches don't like to talk about. However I think that the lack of true Christian element in the adopted child's family did this movie a great dis-service, also that there were no programs in place in the school to recognize family abuse--- and further that the child was expeled from school because of drugs and sent back home? In the real world DCS would have taken the child away from the home pending an investigation. So some of the things that happened to the young men do if fact happen in this world, but this movie is stretching the truth when it comes to how scociety would really handle things. I also

think it would have helped the movie if one of the characters had turned to the Christian faith and offered an alternative way out of the childrens situations---- it didnt have to go to the point of shooting up the shcool.

4/5 4 instead of f5 and this is why...The director used WAY too much blended frame that gave me crossed vision one too many times. OTHER THAN THAT: This film is a must see for anyone from 20-35 right now. A very harsh statememnt on how we destroy our childeren and the reasons they do what they do. This film made me want to, in the following order, fist fight my dad, stab my brother, kill everyone I went to school with and kill myself. Now that sounds bad, but this film made me FEEL and thats rare these days. Most movies come off as some preaching nonsense or mindless explosions and sex... This film, though low budget, made a very powerful message unavoidable, no mystery here... This film SHOUL BE WATCHED and talked about.

4/5 At first i almost turn the movie off because it was boring but as it progressed. It got Interesting. I felt that the point they were trying to prove was pushed a little strong. Also this film could be called simply "the kid who brought the gun to school". its sad that people are actually like this if you disagree your probably on that turn the other cheek side they talked about in the film anyhow great film.

1/5 I couldn't get past the first 27 minutes of this movie, which felt like an hour. It's so unbelievably contrived. None of the characters are believable, mostly due to the horrible script and delivery. Everything about this movie is very 2 dimensional and cliché. Just another poorly thought out teenage "the whole world is against us" type movie. NEXT!

4/5 This movie. One of the best i have seen. This movie has lots of meaning to it. Those who can relate to it, will understand, the sacrifices, and meaning of life, of those who are mistreated. I can relate to this movie.

I've gone through some powerful s***. It angers, and yet, depresses me. This is truly, a Mad World. Some of want keep denying our trueselves, and look good, be loved, and wanted. But it's hard to come too. It's just complicated of what i want to say as a review. If you want to remember your teenagehood, and think about that bully, or someone who is constantly suspended, or in the principal's office, and what their life, and an aspect of it. I just want to say. Watch it. Straight out. Just watch the damn movie.

4/5 If you ever felt like an outcast (or went through highschool) than this movie is for you. This movie's characters are relatable, and for the most part the dialog is realistic. The constant abuse that the protagonists receive from virtually every other character makes this movie difficult to watch at times and there are a few scenes that will make you squirm with discomfort. Overall it's a solid depiction of the difficulties many teenagers face and does not paint a pretty portrait of society. There are too many fade in fade out shots but if you can get past this then you will enjoy the film.If you hated highschool this movie might hit a little too close to home.

5/5 I will admit the character development perhaps was...no I cant even say that. This movie will push the limits of your comfort zones and with any luck tap into something you felt as a teenager, something equally uncomfortable. Amazing acting by nobody i've seen before. Wow...just wow. If the goal of creating art is to create an emotional reaction in the viewer, this movie cannot possibly dissappoint no matter what your perspective.

3/5 Holy F*cked up! Deeply disturbing, I dont know if I should suggest someone watching it, but if you like really effed up depressing sh1t, this is for you.

5/5 I keep seeing reviews with "to much shock value" and "its just a bunch of F***ed up scenes" but that is high school. Kids forced to feel like freaks

and out casts for no reason but for the enjoyment of low self esteem teens who pick on others so they don't have to deal with their own emotional drama. It is almost scary that there are those leaving reviews saying it was boring and just trying to be edgy cause there are kids in high school dealing with these issues every day and don't have an outlet. Mad World did nothing short but push the envelope and help bring a true to life picture of what the pressures of being bullied can do to even the comedian, the pacifist, the genius and the artistic rebel.

4/5 it could have been beter but not bad, this is a movie that should get beter and veiued by students, well a pg version ofcours because its true its happening everyware and its crap all of it, bullies should learn respect (TREAT OTHERS LIKE YOU WANT TO BE TREAT) live your life ,not others mind your bussiness shut your mouth or hav it shut with a good olass whoopin...Godd movie though

1/5 MAD WORLD was only watchable for its sheer absurdity grounded in stupidity. A bad script amplified by just barely B-movie acting and some of the worst production I've ever seen (no exaggeration here.) An incestuous blow job was one of the few high lights in this otherwise unbearable, whining, self-centered disaster which seemed to be more a vessel for writer/director Cory Cataldo's juvenile resentments than a coherent film. Nothing is to be extracted from this "film" and neither the viewer or Cataldo's characters should be expected to change or grow whatsoever. Two thumbs way up that black kid's butthole.

5/5 Very Powerful. once I got past the first 20 minutes I was hooked.. cool look into the side of immature teenages on both ends.. very intense and crazy as this movie is, stuff like this happens all over. I think its a positive story to show such a negative insight into the way certain teens are in the world. I wasn't inovled much in the bullying in my day but I did see it and I could relate... the dialouge was very foul but I see why since it was consistent from the start. point taken... and most teens have foul language

all the time.. i hear it every morning at the bus stop from inside my room.. nonetheless this film could help reach people I believe through its over the top actions and language. The main guy who played Cory was awesome.. Stood out above the rest for sure. I can't get some of his expressions out of my mind... The director told a powerful story with limited resources.. shows he has talent. I wouldn't say it's a must see but i will say if you watch it all the way through you differently will feel something and to me that's the point of every movie. mission accomplished here.. F?&kn Cory was badass..

NR - Instead of starting out pretty good and going downhill from there, which is where a lot of this genre of indie films end up going, this one actually begins to pick up steam about halfway through and ends up as a very powerful and moving film. I'm giving it 5 stars for the character development, great script and great acting.

NR - a movie that really shows what can happen when you get beat down and are considered an out cast....that could have been me twenty years ago.

1/5 Literally the most melodramatic sack of crap I've ever seen in my life. Had a great time making fun of it though. The story seems to be less about children abandoned in a system of apathetic adults and more about kids who have no sense of self and decide that instead of trying to do anything worthwhile at all they're just going to run around doing rude things and wondering why people hate them for it. To be quite frank it seems like whoever made this movie sat around watching 20/20 special about Columbine all day one weekend and threw this together the next day. Honestly if you want to watch a hilarious film about a bunch of jerks acting like victims, then this movie is for you.

4/5 This movie left me feeling like I had been punched in the gut. If you can stomach some of the raw scenes I think it is an interesting film with Cory

Cotaldo's perspective on why, and how, young people come to commit what appear to be senseless acts of mass violence. If you allow yourself to be emotionally vulnerable enough to empathize with these characters you can almost understand how sensitive boys can transform to angry, deadened souls and become dangerous.

NR - I am very rarely inclined to give a one-star review. I don't want to flame the film, because the story had a lot of potential, but quite honestly this has to be one of the worst movies I have ever seen. I'm not even sure where to start. The production value was atrocious, the acting was poor at best, and the meandering plot lacked any sort of coherence or profundity. I've heard others say that it is disturbing or shocking, but the only thing I find shocking is the number of 5-star reviews regarding this movie. The film is absolute rife with vulgar language, and would be excessive even by Hollywood standards. None of the characters were believable, and not a one was likeable or empathetic in the least. The cruel, racist, abusive people that surround the protagonists are a caricature at best (and I'm being generous), and hypocritically insulting to several different groups of people without explanation or excuse. If this film didn't have a C-movie production quality, a script that didn't sound like it was written by a 16 year-old who needs to wash his mouth out with soap, and even fair actors, then it might have something interesting or thought-provoking to say. But then it wouldn't be this movie. Avoid if you value your time.

4/5 This movie by far had some of the worst horrible acting I have ever seen, BUT It had a strong message and just for that I would highly recommend it.

5/5 love it. If you can look past some of the bad acting from a few people and the lower budget.. this flick was great. Should be required viewing for kids going into high school - maybe the message might stick to a few of them. Hope more peeps check this out

1/5 Oh man, I was going to give this 2 stars, but the ridiculous overuse of profanity was too much. I'm all for using profanity in movies, but it has to be tastefully done. The amount of times the F word is used must be insane. A lot of the message gets lost because of it as well, because it starts to seem like it's just to tell everyone to screw off. There are some good ideas there, but there's too much thrown in to be edgy or dramatic which just distracts from the theme. The writing is terrible. The dialogue is fake and weak. I feel like the writer is some angst-ridden teenager that got picked on a lot. It's so bad, I think it's even worse than the acting (which is terrible, and constantly reminds you that you're watching an independent film). Even the sound has problems, with levels greatly varying and clipping at moments. I will say that some of the filming was nice. I liked some of the shots quite a bit, but with the overused fading effects and pictures that are low resolution, it still looks like a rookie film.

5/5 I thought this was an amazing movie for many reasons including the well timed and not overly the top sound track, just great music that really set the tone for the scene and enhanced the enjoyment of the movie ten fold. The issues are true and as biting as ever that everyone one can learn from and many have learned of. The message of abuse is loud and clear and as well as do not judge a book by it's cover, even has a million elaborate costumes. This movie shows the limit of the human spirit and what it will put up with before it takes drastic action and not quite sure how I feel about how they went out but gotta say loved the ending.

NR - This movie had my attention from beginning to end. The director did a fine job. I saw this film hit a real life subject. It reminded me of the incidents at Columbine. The way the film's plot evolved was great. Awesome movie.

1/5 The writers purpose in this film is clear. First half, paint suburbia as clean and pretty out the outside but really just full of perverts, child abusers, racists, and just total idiots. Second half, get the audience to sympathize with the outcasts so that you support them when they go on a Columbine-esque killing spree. It's just plain terrible.

1/5 This movie was f*cked up. The dude f*cks his mom. wtf. Dont watch if your happy with your life. If your weird you might like it i guess.

5/5 This is a truly powerful film. Its interesting from start to finish, it shows a very extreme, but sadly very true part of many young people's lives that we dont always want to see.

2/5 Iv never written one of these reviews before but i feel compelled to for this movie just to say this is one FCUKED up movie!It starts out very lame with bad acting and gets alittle better and than just turns completely fucked up. I wish i would have never watched this honestly, like one reviewer said, if your happy with your life, dont watch this

NR - Full of potential and a great stated premise at the outset. Then it introduced several plots and followed none of them, opting instead for "filler" material and an apparent attempt at the world record for how many times the f-word is used in a film.In the film the teachers keep telling the students how they're not living up to their potential. How very fitting, but because the filmmakers aren't living up to theirs.Had to stop watching it halfway through.

NR - This movie truly explains the horrible things that some high schoolers face. Not just in high school. At work or even when kids are still kids. Some people just don't listen then they blame the wrong one. If only some people were kinder. Sucks if this movie is based on a true story.

5/5 I regretfully say this was an excellent movie told from the point of view of those being bullied into doing something they don't realize they have been bullied into. Not only were these kids bullied by others, but they became bullies themselves...and the end result is, sometimes, inevitable. This is a realistic account of what can happen to those that are bullied. Just

look at the news, Columbine, etc. There was a REASON for the madness, in these kids minds. We are not to judge whether they were right or wrong, just that these kids were not listened to when they needed to be heard.

This film strikes poignancy in how youth are treated, whether they are from upscale or ghetto backgrounds. Corey's story, though is never told...I, too, thought at the beginning, the acting was pretty bad...but...these kids had flat lives...it was emotional.

5/5 Great Teen flick. For those who watched Breakfast Club back in the day and thought they understood young people this movie will bring you back up to speed. Teens tackle pain that they are afraid to show or that is ignored by parents who proclaim "I deserve a life of my own" and I will raise them on a quality 15 minutes a day. Yeah that ought to do it.

5/5 No doubt the beginning of this movie is hard to get through. It looks like another one of those low-budget teen angst movies we've all seen before. But if you can get through the first half-hour or so, it starts to get intense. Issues no one wants to deal with are addressed in sometimes graphic ways, that leave you with a gut-wrenching pang of sorrow for the kids. The low-budget graphics and acting start to make the plot all the more real, and the movie becomes one that will live on in my mind for a long time. An intense and moving story about the downfall of people so young based on others' actions. This is NOT a movie for the squeamish, but if you can stomach it, it is a real eye opener and worth the time.

3/5 This film isn't awful. However, it could have been done better. I grew up in a town with the same narrow minded kind of people and can say that this movie had some truth to it.

NR - It is a good story and good acting. But, definitely an x rated film. Lots of torture and drugs. I enjoyed it enough to finish it though.

NR - This movie was worth watching. Yes the beginning wasn't all great, but getting to the end was good.

3/5 An inside look at what makes an ordinary person go to the extreme.

Great job, I enjoyed the the perspective of the outsider, just wanting to be on the inside, belong.

3/5 Three stars because I think it is wrong to sell and promote a movie with this message. However, if it had ended differently I would have given it 5 stars. Captivated the whole way through. Excellent acting. But a SERIOUSLY messed up story!! Make you nauseous to think that there are children who are actually abused like these kids were. Sickening!

5/5 The beginning of the movie, which most reviewers consider to be lame is meant to be considered so. It starts out like every other teen movie. Then things change...that is the point. To the reviewer who was SO outraged that this movie be offered by this site, that is what your "off" button is for...you did not have to watch it. Nor did I appreciate the comment that one of the characters should have turned to christianity...if you want a religious movie, watch one, don't expect all movies to represent your point of view. While not thrilled with the ending, I think this was an excellent film.

5/5 Intense Reality of todays victims of bullying by the privileged, and parent abuse...a kid can only take so much. Excellent film! Great, Believable performances. They should show this movie in EVERY HIGH SCHOOL IN AMERICA!!!! Anyone who didn't like or "GET" this movie, is a complete MORON!!!!...This is real..this what happens..If you can't relate to this movie, in some fashion....then you probably came from rich families, or you live in a bubble or BOTH!!!

2/5 It was an ambitious movie that touched nerves for those who remember or delt with the situations in high school such as these teenagers face. The actors tried hard, sometimes too hard. Considering the production values the film sometimes seemed like 10th graders made it. But within it's limitationsyou can sympathise with the characters. Emotional and sad, worth a instant pick.

NR - pcm - ***Spoiler Alert*** Reviewer above me said this film has a lesson and was meant to educate so i would like to know what the lesson is and who is it intended for? Are parents going to let their kids watch this?

Everything about this movie WAS so over exaggerated and it really detracted from what ever the intended message was supposed to be. A father holds a gun to his child's head because he gets in trouble at school over a bumper sticker and then forces his son to have sex with his mother. Really? One of the 4 boys is being beaten up and then is sexually assaulted by one of the bullies. Really? Being beat up and verbally abused everyday isn't enough? The principle is caught sexually gratifying himself and it is shown over the school monitors. Really? Maybe the real lesson is that these kids are going to have a really skewed vision of what a normal sex life should be. I expected the movie to have a lot of cursing in it, but like everything else, it was taken to the extreme. This is not a documentary on PBS but a movie and as a movie, it was bad. The acting was by far the worst acting in any film i have seen over the last several years with maybe the exception of 'The Curse of Lizzie Borden. I had no idea that a review over a fictitious film would get such a negative response. My world isn't perfect and nor would i want it to be. Takes too much work. Skip this one...there are better ways to get message across!

NR - This is a thoughtful and provocative film about life in todays high schools, which having visited a few in the past it isn't hard to imagine things are this bad for some kids. It wasn't as enjoyable experience in my day either, but with the extra dimensions of gangs, drugs, wanton sex, promiscuity, STD;s, Aids, HIV, and other wrinkles growing up in suburbia i don't think the Kleinbold phenomina is as much of an aberration as many school administrators and teachers would like the tax payer to think! Some of the teachers i had were old school and the discipline was stricter because the Madelyn Murray O'Hairs hadn't spread their stupidity and Femi-NAZI B.S. with the aid of the ACLU into the System yet! School classrooms are largely out of control unless it is a specialty school designed with the gifted student in mind. Otherwise forget getting a good education in PS 197. This movie should be required viewing for all Bachelors level teacher wannabes. Insensitivity and blindness to the incredible presence of mediocre teachers and terrible administrators is a result of the N.E.A. the UNION that REAGAN never would have had the cajones to go after! Instead he focused on people who truly were and are overworked and underpaid. I knew one ATC who was affected by Reagan's bull caca and he made a

darned good truck dispatcher for a company i worked for in the 80's after changing career venues.

4/5 I dont think sympathy is what the writers and directors were going for. Just understanding.

4/5 Wow! This movie is pretty shocking. It was actually pretty good, although a little over the top at times (ok. Most of the time), but I must say, this movie had my full attention. If you're looking for an educational film on school bullying to show your kids... this movie is NOT for you. It's wayyyyyy to graphic and disturbing. However, if you're looking for a movie that will make you yell, cry, and go through a range of emotions, then you may like this movie. Although I felt the plot was a bit much and somewhat unbelievable at times, and the acting wasn't the best, one thing this movie did very well was portraying the emotions of the characters. The emotions are so raw and palpable, I couldn't help but be feel for them. This movie is not perfect, but it's definitely one I won't forget anytime soon.

4/5 When I first finished watching this movie, the only thing I could think of was some of the weak performances, and how much better it could have been. However, after looking back, I realized that this film has a truly poignant message to send, and it delivers. In fact, it is a testament to the strength of the message, that even through shabby dialogue and acting, one feels a wide range of emotions when experiencing this film. This film was not what I expected. If you're looking for an emotional roller coaster and story many of us can relate to, then I recommend this film.

NR - For those who write that things like those that happened in the movie don't happen in real life, you are in some serious denial. This is a very dark movie; if you don't like gritty, disturbing movies, MAYBE, JUST MAYBE, this movie isn't for you. Abuse happens more often that we like to admit it does, and that abuse, especially from someone in your life that you should be able to trust will def. mess you up. And those complaining about the swearing? That's how teenage boys talk! All of them! I was impacted by this movie. It tells an interesting and poignant story. If you want to watch something warm and cuddly, this isn't it. If you want to explmore what

motivates someone to commit unthinkable acts, this is an interesting tale.

5/5 I am a sucker for emotionally dark, disturbing films that take on controversial topics but even I had to pause this film towards the end and catch my breath. This movie will grip you by the throat from the very start and it will not let you go until the ending credits start to roll. This movie deals with some very heavy subject matter that is not suitable for all viewers though I think these are the exact people who need to watch a film like this. It forces you to step outside of your tiny perfect world and face some disturbing realities. This movie is uncomfortable to watch which is exactly what I loved about it! Be ready to see some graphic scenes that deal with sexual, physical, and emotional abuse. The first half of the movie will have you laughing (Will cracked me up), the last half will bring you to tears.

5/5 THIS MOVIE WAS BRILLIANT.

PERIOD.....

.....THEY MADE ME USE 80
CHARACTERS. LOL

5/5 Good movie. Really good movie. I give it 5
stars.....

4/5 School shootings DO happen, nuff said. But what the media dose not tell you is what the kid went through before they decided do it. Well this movie will show you what maybe happend. Just one person can not change anything in this world. There are just to many people in this world like the parrents and teachers<. This movie just makes you see all the stupid and it made me rage while watching this movie. >That is why I do not want to live on this planet with the majority of people. But unforantaly I am stuck here.

5/5 Definitely give this movie a chance. I was about to turn it off a few minutes in and I'm so glad that I didn't. It wasn't what I expected at all... a good movie! Its a little on the depressing side though. There are disturbing scenes and the ending is pretty brutal.

4/5 Wow, I'm so glad I didn't skip this movie. Recently I have become a big fan of independent films and this was one of my favorites; the message and the realness of it makes you see pass the "low-budget" aspects. It may have been a low-budget movie but it has high budget written all over it. Watch this film! No there aren't any regular faces in it, bright lights, cars, money, over rated sex symbols, action-packed moves, or all that other jazz. This is what I calla freekin movie!-Tina

5/5 Damn thats all you can really say after you watch this the beginnings a little slow and the actings not the best but its such a great movie cus its so true

NR - Slow moving but powerful film. Push people enough and you get what you deserve. I hate to say it, well really I don't hate to say it at all, kill as many as you can kill, enjoy every pull of the trigger, before they kill you. Send a message.

NR - I think this movie was a very powerful, dark moving portrait of what bullying can do to our children. I have never felt compelled to write a review in the three years of being a member. But this movie saddened me and yes the actors may not be very skilled, but the story is an important one and worththe watch. Bravo to the writer.

5/5 WOW! this is one of the best movies I've seen in a long time. started slow, but i made myself stick with it, now i'm glad i did. this is a great movie showing just how far conformist push around free minded people and make them feel like crap for being a free thinker.

1/5 Wow, so many people are praising this film. Maybe they are the wannabe Columbiners? Truth is, it was very monotonous, as if the writer/ director had to fill up an hour and half so he just kept writing the same kinds of scenes over and over. Also, the music got really annoying to me, it is aimless and noodeling. Finally, the acting was pretty good, Could I make a film as good as this? Maybe not, but I also wouldn't want to .

4/5 It's unbelievable how people hurt each other with words and

judgements- beating one another down till there is nothing but hopelessness and rage. I was sickened by so many things in this movie and the disgusting actions of so many. Just a glimpse of the battle out there for teens. Worth watching. The actors really grow on you. Depressing, so prepare yourself..

3/5 I couldn't believe how powerfully this movie moved through scenes as exaggerated as any opera, inexorably toward the inevitable. Then, in the last minute [STOP READING HERE IF YOU HAVEN'T SEEN IT], it blows it with a reversal / repentance speech that's pure blame-the-victim garbage, obviously inserted to placate the status quosers. From five stars to three just for that.

NR - Spoiler Alert!?!?! This movie sucks BALLS, it was like rampage mixed with a depressing teen movie plus 1000 pink ponies. There were some decent parts but nothing of substance all fluff, bad directing, terrible acting and an ok script. The people who enjoyed this movie must have had a terrible time in high school or something because this is pure garbage. If you watch this movie and want your hour and a half back, don't say I didn't warn you!

5/5 this movie just scratch the surface. I was one of undesirable in school. It brought back painful memories for me. I went to a school where I was the only chocolate chip in the cookie. I had to make up my mind that I had to get out. I did, but the experiences are still with me; under the surface. Isay excellent movie for portraying why some kids drop out. why they do drugs and why they are always in the office. Walk one day in their shoes; then judge! Excellent job Cory Cataldo

3/5 It looked really low budget and the acting wasn't the best but I think it got it's message across. It really reminds me of those time when the world just seems to throw so much crap at you, when you think you've hit rock bottom but you just keep falling. It's a hard movie to watch but worth it in the end, I think anyway.

2/5 The story line wasn't bad, the acting was horrible, and the filming was

amaetur @ best; lots of fading and brooding music. LAME.....

NR - This is a great Independent film with great actors telling a story that needed to be told. I loved it, would have got 5 but the beginning could have been better other than the first 5min the movie was fantastic. A must see for every parent and their high school child (watch it together). *NOTHING LIKE A GREAT MOVIE!!!!* this is MOVIE MIKE out.

5/5 WATCH THIS MOVIE. Even if you are not into the Independent Film scene, I strongly recommend this film for an entertaining 98 minutes full of laughter, tears, and an all around sense of nostalgia. You fall in love with the cast and their actions throughout the film and just keep watching to the end and I promise you will not regret it.

1/5 This movie is poor from beginning to end. Don't believe the idea that it gets better and ultimately proves meaningful. The acting is not the worst part of this movie. The plot is the worst part of the movie. This is a violent movie that rails against racism and homophobia. It is critical of parents. It doesn't seem to mind sex and drugs and profanity. This is a movie made by kids. Don't waste your time.

5/5 While some reviewers are citing bad acting as a problem, I enjoyed every bit of this film. It's dark, it's entertaining, it's education, and it's very emotional. My only complaint was that some of the scene had bits that were hard to see (you'll know what I mean if you watch it). The acting was great, the story line was fantastic, and there was more than one great message attached to the film.

5/5 Funny the title is Mad World, a connection with Donnie Darko. This movie is great because 1) the teenage "misfits" are just like me, 2) the cops are right out of my hometown in the late 70's, 3) the parents are freaks, and they are my age, so a little introspection in order, 4) it reminded me of my young life, except that I went off to college to prove what they should have done in a more positive manner. Yeah I went to Cleveland elementary (I don't like Mondays) and the incident at Santana High in San Diego... well after I left. It makes you wonder if... well that's what a good movie does.

NR - a deep insight on a youthful perspective on how messed our world really is, corruption has affected me as it has these boys even down to the highschool political realm. made a lot of personal connections. on a side note does anyone happen to know the song playing at the end?

NR - The acting is not so great, but the message/story line are definitely worth watching. There are a couple reviews claiming that this film might promote mass murder. I think it's quite the opposite, it tells the audience that mass murder (i.e. school shooting) is not the answer. The actual shooting is only shown for a couple seconds, and as a bad memory- it's not glamorized. I'm in a rush to write this, so sorry for the poor grammar, but I feel the need to stand up for the film. It promotes understanding.

NR - The good reviews on this movie must be coming from friends of the movie makers. Let's see. -Bad Acting -Slow Movie -Dumb story line Just wasted one hour and half of my life I won't get back.

4/5 This movie is a bit of a mix bag. The acting was solid, the story was over the top but strangely relatable, and you will laugh, feel uncomfortable and sick, be angry and hurting through the course of it. In the beginning it might not seem like a very good flick. But it engrosses you quickly by becoming invested in the characters. You hope for something good for them, but come not to expect it. If you don't mind squirming a bit, I would suggest watching this one all the way through. It is worth it.

1/5 What did I just watch? This movie has to be the most effed up movie I have seen in a long time. There are things that take place in this movie that shouldn't even be spoken of. The acting was not bad but the unnecessary language took away from a lot of the plot. I actually found myself laughing at the parts that were aimed to be dramatic due to the eff word every two seconds. Sometimes they put swear words together that don't even make any sense for example, "What the F***ing GodD*mn are you talking about". Also they play these people out to be the victims and they do a good job at it. But to do that they make all the outside characters one-sided. Like they

have one aspect of their personality that shows through and it comes off like they aren't even human. And I guess by dehumanizing them to the viewer it makes the horrific ending easier to stomach. What they did with this movie was messed up and I could tell it only had a 50,000 dollar budget. I wouldn't donate a dime to fund a movie with events like this in it and if I were a director I certainly would not want my name associated with it in any way.

5/5 never thought this movie would turn out this good i wanted to see how they killed them rednecks thou.. lol i hate racism and i even got mad.. this just reminded me so much of columbine high school

NR - My life was never as boring as all the "drama" in theirs. This doesn't even rank as a revenge snuff film. I feel no connection with the "kids" in this film. The flimsey plot devices were so abstract they hurt my brain. Rednecks in white suburbia? Apparently the director doesn't realize wasps and white trash don't mix. I'm fat, nuff said on that one. Uh.... jocks beat me up because I mouth off to groups of them at a time (i.e. I'm suicidal). As for incest/rape/threesome that one felt more like the director's private fantasy than believable. Not that sick \$H!+ like that doesn't happen, it's just the porno feel it took on, unpracticed lines, ponytail and all. The fall back on weed was too much. Smoking in front of a camera is not acting or moving a plot line. It's filler - plain and simple. Trim this movie down to 26 minutes and make it an after school special. Or hell, play it at the school and maybe all of you that "got it" can go hug and share your "feelings". I'm from southeast Kentucky. We call it god's country. Not because we're deeply religious (tho many are), but because the only justice you'll find out here is the one you make yourself with only god to answer to. These characters in this film would have offed themselves at age 13 round here. Go watch the wonderful Whites of West Virginia. Where I live we all have neighbors like that, or we are the whites. Hell we can't believe someone sold a documentary by just turning a camera on.

NR - This movie is Awesome!!!! Wow!!! I have never seen a movie at this level of production, that made me feel this much. Nuts... In a good way.

5/5 Powerful stuff!!! Say what you want about NF and their selections, but kudos to them for showing this film! Everyone should see this. When I was a child, child abuse was rarely talked about, and condoned as normal for the most part. I was bullied at school, and abused at home. I left home at 17, and finally felt free. My sense of humor, and self worth got me through the worst of times, but many kids aren't so fortunate. I grieve for all the victims of mistreatment in the world, and pray that somehow all will find peace. I hope more movies and celebrities will continue to make folks aware of bullying and parental abuse and neglect. Society is breaking down at an unbelievable pace, and I pray we can get a grip before it's too late.

4/5 idgaf what anyone says i like this movie. sure the acting wasnt great but the end is suprising

5/5 Mad World should be shown in every high school. To show students and faculty that being a bully or picking on others is wrong. Teachers have favorites and if you are a teachers' favorite then you do get a slap on the hand or they look the other way. When a student has a bad rep then the teachers are harsh on them and treat them poorly. We need to set all of our judgemental beliefs aside and help these students find their passion and help them as educators to be great for the gifts they have. This movie is graphic but i think it speaks to kids that are all going through this process.

NR - If you don't like this movie, you have not experienced life.
BAAAAHHHHHHHH, but nah legit....it's real.

NR - Garbage. Absolute garbage. I couldn't even make it past the halfway mark. That fat "lololololol XD so randumb" kid, good God. I want those 45 minutes of my life back but don't expect to get them. Regurgitated high school tropes, pointless drawn out scenes, and horrible acting. Stay as far away as possible.

2/5 Wow! This was a brutal film. A must see for self-absorbed parents and educators who could care less about an adolescents future. You want to

know what's wrong with kids today? Check out this movie for a clue. The first 20 minutes drag just a bit but will pick up steam until the very last frame.

2/5 Horrible, over-the-top acting, bad camera work and editing. Slightly unrealistic situations. I watched the whole thing, hoping there would be a payoff and there really wasn't. Overuse of profanity highlights poor writing and the "actor's" inability to improvise. Just not a well-made movie at all. That being said, I gave it 2 stars because there are some harsh truths here that can't be ignored and... even with as bad as I may think this is, at least the "filmmakers" got it done. Tons of people out there talk about making movies and never really do it. So to that I say "bravo."

2/5 Good message but the movie was horrible. Jeez. It was ridiculous. It was like a train wreck you couldn't stop watching. Ever other word was a curse word. The plots of the four boys was ridiculous; it was like a "What the hell?" moment every time a part of their background got revealed. There was only one boy that I felt sorry for and his plot was ridiculous as well. I was laughing throughout the movie and had to rewind a few times to see if what I saw really happened. I know their budget was low but I have seen movies with low budgets come out better than this. If you're looking for a movie on a school shooting, Zero Day is the best I have seen so far. This, this here, was garbage.BUT the message was decent.

5/5 This is honestly one of the most profound, moving, and tragic independent films I've ever had the pleasure and sadness to watch. It speaks so realistically, yet powerfully to the crimes behind the crimes of teen violence and the reoccurring fact that there are two sides... to every story. It's going to take time to absorb this. As a high school senior I would recommend this to any mature audience, and to any comprehensive health curriculum in high schools.

5/5 This film made me remember how hard high school was. And it was hard to watch sometimes, but very accurate. Many teachers and principals I had were just like this - frustrated people who failed in the real world and decided to stay in high school forever, only now they are in control and get

to torture everyone. And of course there are the jocks who get away with doing whatever they want to whoever they want, and end up going to Harvard on a football scholarship. This film was amazing.

5/5 B Film But it was a great movie...do not skip this one, I almost did?
Glad I watched 5 Stars

4/5 Hated to give it 4 stars for an overall rating...but...it was worth the rating. The content and thought-provoking issues were hard to watch, but needed to be shown like a mirror reflecting the face of our society...it's a crappy testament but a necessity to be addressed. The movie is not greatly done, but it isn't the cinematography that should be paid attention to. Deeply disturbing, often well scripted...Mad World is a must see, especially if you have children. Be warned, it is not a movie for the timid viewer. It strikes a big blow at abuse, violence and bullying.

1/5 The plot was somewhat interesting in the beginning then just fell apart. The acting was atrocious. Not worth watching.

5/5 Every parent of a middle school/high school student should make their child watch this film!!!!!!!!!!!!!! (or the ignoramuses who believe that kids just shoot their peers for NO reason except insanity) Yes, the acting was kinda horrid, but the moral of the story has nothing to do with how good the acting is!

NR - Stick with this movie... I promise it is worth it. Honestly, it's one of the better movies on Netflix. This one left me speechless in the best way possible.

1/5 Not only was the acting beyond terrible, the production values on this movie were severely lacking. Yes it's an indie, but regardless of that it felt more like a high school AV club project. From filming, to editing to the bad sound levels and awful royalty free music that constantly punctuate this contrived and poorly written film, there is very little of merit to be found here. Utterly, utterly terrible.

5/5 At first I thought that this movie was just going to be about a bunch of stoners that get locked, but then as the movie progressed I saw the true message behind the movie. The acting wasn't great but how can you act real life. This movie should be shown to all high schools around the world to show how one simple act of disrespect can snowball into this situation.

5/5 I start watching this film and I think it's a typical high school stoner scenario. It's like that at first, and then this incredibly dark story unfolds, and I was so intoxicated by it that by the end of the movie I was calling everyone I knew telling them they must watch this! I think this film boldly went where no bullying/school shooter melodramatic documentary has EVER dared to go. Not the best acting, but honestly, the message this movie conveys far outweighs things like casting and cinematography. I am so happy I stumbled upon this film.

2/5 I give it a couple of stars because I kept watching it, if only out of sheer masochism. The hatred in this movie fries your brain like an egg. The exaggerated scenes play out one after another. This is not a realistic film and I see no profound lesson to be learned from it, unless you didn't already know that punching a brick wall really hard is going to shatter all the bones in your fist. This movie is nothing but a big temper tantrum; do yourself a favor and don't even bother.

1/5 I was rooting for this movie and the characters from the beginning even though the acting seemed bad and my better judgment told me to stop watching. I watched it all the way to the end and was very disappointed. By the end of it I felt dirty for finishing the movie...

3/5 It is disturbingly sad how accurate this movie is about our society, and it shows the consequences of ignorance among the people who are supposed to help teens and keep them safe. It's a good watch and I'd recommend it.

4/5 woah, I just finished watching and am just like, holy sh it. i mean, it is just so tragic but also painfully true. The only part I say was wrong would be ("spoiler alert") the fact that they show the main character getting

electrocuted via the whole death sentence thing. I mean, that sort of process takes years to actually happen, you can sit on death row and die before they kill you sometimes I imagine, yet they make it seem like it took place rather soon after the shooting. It seems minor but since that is how the film ends, it sort of ya know, totally matters. It seems that it is either not explained well enough (the time frame) or more likely, unrealistic, less thought out in comparison to everything else that has occurred. My opinion would be to just not even include this scene, there was so much already there to take in, why tarnish it with a scene that can take away some of this credibility? besides that though, which is only a minor thing in comparison to the rest of this movie, I mean, I feel a tad sick to my stomach right now so that must count for something.

1/5 ARE YOU KIDDING...STOP ALREADY WITH FILMS LIKE THIS. WE GET IT, THE WORLD IS A TOUGH PLACE, BUT MAKING MOVIES LIKE THIS ADD TO THE CONFUSION AND DARKNESS PEOPLE ALREADY STRUGGLE WITH. IT SEEMS LIKE OVER THE LAST 10 YEARS EVERYONES QUALITY OF LIFE AND PERCEPTION OF HUMANITY HAS DETERIORATED TO SUCH A DEPRESSING STATE....I UNDERSTAND THE NEED TO EXPLORE AND SHARE THE DARKNESS WE SOMETIMES HAVE....ITS GETTING OUT OF HAND. I THINK LIFE IS STARTING TO IMITATE ART AND THAT IS GETTING DANGEROUS. HAS ANYONE EVER HEARD OF SCHOOL SHOOTINGS BEFORE COLUMBINE, NO, NOW ITS BECOMING COMMONPLACE BECAUSE OF THE RIDICULOUS GLORIFICATION AND MEDIA ATTENTION ASSOCIATED WITH IT...LIKE THIS MOVIE...PLEASE STOP! WATCH A COMEDY, HUG YOUR KID, KISS YOUR WIFE AND DO SOMETHING NICE FOR SOMEONE...THATS TIME BETTER SPENT!

NR - This is the worst movie I have ever watched. The acting is terrible, and the whole plot is just...odd....sticking a stick up a classmate's butt? wtf... Yeah...the production was so bad! The editing, music, THE ACTING. WORST.MOVIE.EVER.

4/5 I thought this movie sucked the entire way, mostly for the acting and over use of the "f" word.....until the last 20 seconds. That is when the entire point hit me and then I cried like a baby for a while. Like of of the other reviews said, this is not an entertaining movie, a lesson is what this movie is.

2/5 The acting could have been a lot better. Everything was extremely over exaggerated and I had to mute it at times because it made me cringe. Besides that, I thought it was a good story, just a bit unrealistic. An overall "so-so" from me.

1/5 I felt let down by this movie. I lost all sympathy for the characters at the end. Terrible movie.

5/5 It seems that, the system supports (popular thugs), and always fail to protect those whom want to live in peace. "I know what it feels like,,",

1/5 I never thought you could get a migraine from a movie until now. It was so stupid and no story line.

5/5

speechless.....
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5/5 I want to personally thank the producers of this film for creating a drama that shows how nightmarish and hopeless life can be for young adults with abusive home lives and no status or power at school. This is the way it is and it is it is tremendously healing to see it finally and honestly presented in the media. The folks that rate this drama negatively only show how fortunate they have been in not having inhabited this world and how little they understand about the hopeless and optionless underclass of targeted students at schools.

5/5 This movie has terrible acting. Terrible pictures. And a fat kid puzzle

piece that was forced in. However. The reason this movie did not get 4 stars or less was because of the story line. Slow to Brilliant. Boring to A MUST finish. Real hellish experiences and crap ive never seen in films before. (ive read stuff similar though) Shoving sticks up.... forced mom to son rape... daddy attempting to kill the son.... constant acid use... Now these are problems very obvious to people. But they throw in other problems like. HUman vs society. YOU CANT WIN. Doomed from the start. The ultimate show downs for each character. I put my self in some of these scenroios i woulda cracked and done the same thing in the end. Even after reading this review... You still don't know the worst this movie has to offer (in a good way that it shows you), but in a bad real day to day situation. 5/5 stars. Storyline trumps all.

5/5 mad world? more like real world this sh*t really happens ive seen it and this movie finally made it real for all the peolpe who wont believe it. i dont like this movie its not the kind of thing anyone can like but its amazing its like the girl next door u hate it but its perfect and real not like the rest of hollywoods sh*t

3/5 This movie is an attempt to see the world from the eyes of those bullied by other kids, abusive parents, and authority figures that seem to always give the benefit of the doubt to the popular kids with the grades. What it actually is is partially that and partially the most disturbing movie you'll ever see. Murder of course, but also rape, incest, and the whole gambit of what makes this world a hell for some of our kids. It isn't for the faint of heart by any means. It's hard core, ugly, and the darkest possible. It's a world without Christ.

5/5 in the beginning i thought that this movie sucked. but when it was over it tured out to be really good. if ur going to watch a movie then u need to watch this one.

NR - I watched this movie because of all the great reviews. I, however, did not like the last 1/2 hour at all. It was very disturbing and a bit over the top. It was almost like they glorified school shootings. Yes, I am not blind to the fact that kids are bullied and that this stuff happens, but you can't tell me

that they go to this extent without anyone knowing. I guess in terms of reality it fails, but still an ok movie to watch...although I won't ever watch it again.

5/5 If you can make it through the first 20min or so, it is well worth it. This is a low budget film and at times the acting and editing leaves something to be desired, but stick with it and the characters and story make up for its shortcomings. Don't have 80 characters yet, well, guess i need to fill some space. Hey Breaking Bad now has season 4 on netflix.

5/5 Definitely worth the watch. There is almost no positive note, basically throughout; but that doesn't take away from how it all looks from the side of the ridiculed. Unlike most other films, this has very few breaks of light in the dark. Depressing as all get-out, but I could not look away.

1/5 Too many f* words. The fact that our school system is not working, has been clear since 1974 or so. Unionized teachers take all the privileges and none of the responsibilities (no free school choice...)... The sad thing is that these in the movie are good kids, but neither their parents, nor their teachers did anything, except for covering their a**es. As far as the movie goes, there is too much violence. Yes, we live among a majority of conformist psychopaths, yes, our culture is violent, because our people's average IQ falls well below 90 (one reason to attach the Catholic Church, because they actually train and make a large number of students succeed, an average of 94% and if you are gloating over the media's systematic campaign against Catholics, you are going to be the next, because there is always a next...) The funny thing is that the solution needs no violence; just a little bit of attention and respect to/for each other...

NR - I'm not sure what the point of this film was; it is full of aggression and frustration. Its a sad fact that stuff like this happens. This certainly isn't for everyone - there are plenty of ugly emotions throughout this film; I asked myself why I chose to watch this when there are so many movies that feel better and the only thing I could think of is that this is a reminder of how far things can get out of hand when forgiveness is absent.

5/5 To the other who thinks there are too many f*** words, wow, wake up and just take a gander of society around you, it's part of life, has been for a while now. Some things can not be settled with respect, kindness, Christianity<joke there>, etc... Wars prove that. Christian wars have been some of the biggest. Blood has to be shed sometimes, but that blood has to have meaning. Your ideals are vague, as you seem to think that all these problems can be summed up in a coheres, understandable nature... fail, you have obviously not felt what they, or I have felt in those moments of life... which in there lies the problem. No ones problems are bigger than ours, or such a problem is ridiculous and should be ignored, or handled by turning the other cheek. Well, my ignorant friend that cheek gets punched too... It is sad that life evolves into violence sometimes, but in some situations, there is NO other course if things need to be set right... Piss off on any who disagree, cause you were not there to feel that sh-it, you were not there to get pissed on, knocked down, called chink, lynched, etc... you were not there... The movie was deep, felt, and real.. real as in I have seen, and to this day I still see this. I am 1/2 asian, and in my days at school even the <nig***s>, ((that is a paraphrase, not my words as I am not prejudice by any means, as I am a true minority...)) harrassed me, picked on me, spit at me, kicked me, you name it... it was there. I know the feeling of revenge that sweels, I know the regrets I hold for not acting on all that I wanted to, I know bitterness that will be carried with me till the day I die... If you by any means ever felt rejected growing up, or even now... this movie will make all the sense it was meant to incline... ty

5/5 This film wasn't made to educate, nor do I think it was made for shock value. There would have been a lot more gore if that were the case. I think it was intended to touch every one of us, whether we're young, old, calm or crazy, in that place where we keep our helpless rage. As we slowly begin to see their points of view, the four young men we meet evolve from lame, dumb-butt freaks to tragic figures being ricocheted off the walls of hell. We identify, not with their troubles, but with their feelings. We're not asked to feel anything about the consummation of their revenge. It's actually not shown, even minimized, and made slightly comic. We are meant to compare it to the violence done to them, in turn, by family, authority figures and bullies. That violence is gore-free, and extremely hard to watch. This

raggedy film, with some very versatile actors mixing a naturalistic style with some arch foolery, had me in its clutches by its slow, sad end. The comments here run the gamut. See it for yourself and say what you think.

4/5 the only thing i didn't like about this movie was the music fading out the words sometimes. But other than that its not bad. But im 23 so you might think differently if your older more mature ha

NR - haven't cried this hard since green mile....this is coming from a 35 year old man.

5/5 9-02-2012 Just when you might think you have seen just about every angle on school bullying to be put on the screen, this comes along out of nowhere. Although fiction, never a truer story ever told. I don't feel I'm pushing the issuer at all as I suggest this very movie should be required watching and writing about as summer reading to get into high school. I have spoken to past high school members through out the years and the one thing most said they had no idea about was how bad my home life was. I was asked to kill my brother among so many other unspeakable acts. I was molested in the school showers with the humiliation of teachers watching as though I somehow asked for such things. I was seriously (like there can be another kind) molested by my family doctor. Previous classmates have expressed years later to me that if they had known I had not a soul to speak with, they would have tried to either come to my aid, or at least not stand by and watch others ruin my life. Every setting in my life was something to live and make it through on my own in one from or another. I could not come home with school problems because I was too busy trying to survive at home until old enough to move out. I could not go to school with my problems at home because I was the 'p*ssy' at school that needed to grow some balls, such as it is put now a days. Somehow I made it, but my whole life has been taken from me. I don't say these things just to vent. I say them because these kinds of things are the only parts of life so many young people have to work within. Tell any child you love them, then watch this movie and see what the road looks similar to for the kids you didn't tell them how much they are loved.

3/5 I gave those 3 stars for the sheer guts, honesty and intensity. I can honestly say they used the F*** word so many times, it seemed like it was almost every few seconds literally! That is over the top and not necessary. I did feel sympathy for the kids, especially the one they liked to call "fatso", after seeing what his dad did to him, and how abuse can drive people to horrible acts of violence, not saying this is right by any means. But that was a lot of what the movie was about. AND the sad part is, this is all too often the truth of what goes on in the world. These are obviously not famous or well-seasoned actors, but they did a good job aside from the excessive language, especially the F***word, including Mother F***er, which we would be grounded and scolded if we ever used that language growing up. I must warn all viewers this has some very intense scenes, even of a graphic and sexual nature, but the point is, this is not a "church" movie or going to be taken well by everyone. I am surprised I even finished it, but somehow the characters and what I have seen in the world, kept me open-minded, and I am satisfied I finished watching it. But it's a very sad and tragic presentation, and the director wanted you to understand this is not going to be a fairy tale-happy ending type of movie. It is more of a gritty, reality and in-your-face movie, even with the few comic moments, that are more about the expressions of what the characters are feeling in their lives.

5/5 One of the better movies I've seen in a long time despite the low budget, poor sound quality etc. After reading some reviews it seems it touches everyone in a different way. I think those looking for a "lesson" or "moral" were disappointed because it has none really. It is more an exploration into the lives of 4 tortured souls and the effect that trauma, abuse, and awkwardness of adolescence brings upon any human being. The ending is great yet totally messed up, yet again is a dream in one's own head that almost all of has lived. This is almost a fantasy of what we wish we could do but only the truly unstable really do. It's not pleasant, funny, or feel good after the first 10 minutes of introduction to characters. I cringed, cried, and felt the need to be vengeful...put simply this movie makes you feel...a lot...and not the great feelings in life. Dark doesn't begin to describe how black this film will make you feel. If you fake your happiness all the time like a lot of folks do better off watching a Will Ferrel movie because you will hate this. This film reminds of two friends who have

known each other since high school that I used to know, one nicknamed the other after an infamous child molester. They're both now 35, one still calls the other a child molester. The nicknamed molester has never had a girlfriend, has no self-esteem, suffers from depression, and hates himself. They're still "friends" if you could call them that. Why people do this to each other I never understand, I can no longer stomach either of them. That's a happy story compared to Mad World.

2/5 The acting is so horrible and it never gets better. The more emotional a scene, the worse the acting. You keep hoping it will get better, but it just gets unwatchable. I watched it anyway, much to my regret. The basic plot is alright, the script is pretty bad, the directing is on a grade school level, but there is a certain power to the film. The bad acting completely destroys this film. The actors look the part, but they simply cannot act.

3/5 Jesus....what a depressing movie. You know how sometimes you watch those underdog movies where they strike back at their harassers and come off like heroes in the end? Or we can secretly cheer that the bad guys have learned their lesson? Yeah....this wasn't one of those kinds of movies. I feel like I need a shower and a xanax now.

5/5 very true those that hurt people dont care this movie tells the truthi been beat up and tortured in school now im grown up on disability because people like in this movie hurt me i have amounted to nothing in life.....people dont realize how much hurt they can do to a person,only the lucky ones get revenge then suffer for standing up for themselves

4/5 A very deep and thought provoking movie. I enjoyed the evolution of the characters and how true to life so much of this movie mirrored. The depth of the emotions and desperation in the storylines kept me glued to the chair!

2/5 Fck, fck, fck, fck.... Seems like every other word is fck and the kids are just as big assholes as those picking on them. This is totally fcking adolescent. Had to shut it off, it was so fcking asinine.

5/5 Anything less than a 4 star rating and your one of them. Sorry its just math. This movie was bold in its effort to give a glimpse behind the scenes. Life I mean... watch it. Just think about it...? There's a lot we dont know about those we encounter on a daily. Needless to say respect begets such in return. Great movie in itself.

NR - i think when the writer wrote this , the term "over kill" was in his vocab. i like the message , but really ??? if there lives are that bad , any real person would just leave the town . the fact that they had no backbone to just take your chances out in the world really killed for me .

5/5 This movie was freakin awesome. Although it may not be for some audiences, I feel it portrayed the teenage mind very well. The problem with bullying dosen't lie with the kids being bullied, or with the ones doing the bullying. the real problem lies with the adults that let these situations get out of hand. i have to get a licence to drive a car but any psycho freak can be a parent. wow. or a teacher for that matter.

3/5 I think this movie was a too low budget for the theme...and this isn't an insult by any means. Cory Cataldo did with what he had. It's more like "too bad there wasn't more money for this film because it has so much potential!" The writing and acting were done carefully, getting the point across clearly (though a little amateur and corny at times.) At first, it seemed that this was just going to be some quirky story about a few slacker teens but, whew! Was I in for a surprise! A story of this magnitude needs more substance to make it have a greater impact (But I'm sure this was due to budget.) The high school looked scarcely populated as halls, walls, homes and bedrooms lacked the normal clutter and character. Everything seemed so empty and unfinished. I think this would have helped to build more of the characters, know more about them, give more for the audience to feel, therefore, making this film really have the full impact. My only real gripe is ...was this film supposed to take place in a California suburb? Because the "Highway 101" entrance was ever present throughout. It was rather annoying because there is no mention of location other than the sign, which leads me to believe that, perhaps, this story

takes place in "Any town USA." If that is the case, all obvious location identifiers should be omitted.

2/5 Overblown indie film with pretentious palm leaves all over the box art. Of course, anything bracketed with palm leaves MUST be important or good. This is neither. High school play style of acting and amateurish cinematography. Plays off of recent events involving revenge-seeking teens, but while it tries to make the main characters sympathetic, they are ultimately revealed by their actions and the dialogue itself to be wholly unlikeable and stupid. The over the top situations towards the end of the film are especially heinous and lead to a lame unsatisfying ending.

2/5 I guess this may have been a great story to tell, however it needed a decent screen writer, director, actors, sets and everything else that goes into the making of a good film. I can't recommend it since it was so poorly executed.

1/5 I stopped watching it when I saw a white guy writing "spear chucker ni**er" on the black kids tee shirt in full view...Was that part even necessary?? HE** NO! Why did the ONLY Black kid in the movie get the most racist and DEGRADING part in the movie??? More important was he so hard up to make a movie and get paid that he let himself be degraded in that way?? That is so sad!! It's not even funny in comedy for that to happen. None of the White kids had anything degrading done to them like that. THIS MOVIE SUCKS!!!

5/5 Absolutely amazing, the story was beyond words. I know the writing and acting could have been a little better but the story and message and the twists are perfection. My first comment on a movie so far.

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5/5 A very good movie about teenage angst that goes from hilarious to tragic. A much different take. Enjoy ! Read me on Salon:DLSCHUCH at

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5/5 Wow.... That was intense, Perfectly epitomizes the problems in public schools, and how things get pushed too far, and how neglected individuals are, especially when they need attention the most. Starts off corny, and with cheesy acting, but gets intense....brutally intense, It's scary to think things like this could happen, and terrifying that they have. If you watch it, watch it in its entirety, and you'll see what this movie is all about. In a summary just a few words come to mind, "Columbine" & "butterfly effect"

4/5 and they lived happily ever after...Wow. Thank you for this movie. Almost reminds me of Kids. Rampage was good stuff too.

5/5 Amazing movie. I graduated HS in '86 but I can remember the days when I was the picked on early in my school years. I can also remember shedding that and becoming someone who was popular and didn't get picked on, but I didn't pick on anybody. I had the unique perspective of being in a position of popularity but remembering what it was like to be picked on by the very people that wanted to be my friends. Those people never made it past hello, they were not worth it. I hung with people who appreciated everybody, especially kids who couldn't or wouldn't stick up for themselves. Why should they have to stick up for themselves, they didn't do anything wrong. They were just different in the eyes of the "Popular" kids and the faculty were no better. I do remember the jocks getting away with everything while I would get detention or suspension just for looking the wrong way. This movie felt so real. It felt too real. That is the problem, it is real, a real problem. It is not the kids who end up snapping, it is the fault of the people who pick on them and poke fun at them and torture them for years on end. The tragic end result of killing people can be avoided in most cases. It is just a matter of recognizing what is happening to all kids at school and home, not just the good looking ones or the smart ones or the jocks, all of them. We had a school shooting in my town, and it was paralyzing to the town afterward. Fact is, kids do stupid things, but we as adults need to get a grip on what is happening and pay attention. Kids get lost. Kids need our help to get through the toughest years of their lives, what they don't need is to be tortured by kids and parents and teachers.

This hits so close to home that I'm rambling.

1/5 This was the worst piece of crap that I have ever had the displeasure of viewing. The worst part was when the boy was forced to screw his mom. The fact that this movie exists makes me want to kill kittens. Right. in. the. face. In summary. The acting was terrible, it was completely unrealistic and there was a certain profanity that was overused to put it lightly. Quack Quack. Im done.

NR - This movie leaves you with a filling that you need to go drink milk or do something wholesome as the actors characters and acting ability are pathetic to be kind. Story.....what story? You can go into any wayward teens house and get the same waste of good oxygen story about what is growing into a burden for society. A Downer of a movie and I would not want my kids to see it.....THIS MOVIE HAS NO VALUE of any kind.....A wasted effort about a wasted blob calling itself human. Sorry I even watched thisI'm going to get some milk and build something and try to forget this trash.

1/5 Sick, twisted and Demented. Horrible writing. Even worse acting. Who ever paid for this movie to be made should be shot.

4/5 I watched this last night!! VERRRRYYYYY good movie! Interesting ending. Very brutal film. Totally wasnt what I was expecting at all.

1/5 "Shut the f**c up!" "No, you shut up" "Well, f**c you then" "No, f**k you." "Oh yeah? Then f**k you!" "No, F**k you, you b**ch" Alot of pot smoking, then sodomy, incest/rape and suicide. Then a mass shooting at a school.... Thats it in a nutshell. Don't waste your time. I warned you.

5/5 My first movie review, I felt the need based on how well-illustrated the situations were in exposing a very truthful underlying theme in American society. It certainly has the "B" movie look, but it is not a Hollywood film (thankfully), and after watching for a short time the intensity of the story overshadows the visual downfall. And I just want to point out that you can easily tell who grew up conformed to the system, which is so vulgarly

elaborated on throughout the movie, based on peoples responses here. It's sad to see so many negative comments by those who are unable to relate to the tragic turn of events that these kids experienced. The humiliation, the degradation, the racism against them and their friends, all of these facets are alive in well in the public education institution, and largely ignored in reality. And even when it is portrayed as an educational, and very vivid, tale, the conformists here denounce it, unable to comprehend the complexity of the deeper meaning.

5/5 Amazing film the school systems suck ! so many kids in real life are going through these tough times this movie shows you what can be going on in you're town amazing movie must see

1/5 Words can't express how awful this movie is. Self centered losers feeling sorry for themselves and victimized in a catoon world. Bad acting, bad writing, no continuity, and cheesy sets combine with pitiful writing to produce a stunningly repulsive pile of ****. It's not that you want your time back when the movie's over, you just want to take a long shower and forget the whole mess. If the people who made this thing have any shame they will change their names and go into the witness protection program. The whole thing was so pretentious and so horrible. Yeechh.

4/5 Powerful movie... Makes you stop and think about the real life bullying that happens in our schools every day. We need to have better resources for our children to go to when home/school life sucks. Better counselors to counsel families and teachers about bullying and make everybody understand thatwe all have feelings and emotions. Guns is not the problem, with better mental health, guns would just be for a recreational sport and not mass killings.

3/5 well at least none of em were queers, something the writer(s) wanted to make perfectly clear by breast content. long as you get that they are all straight and normal, the rest of the movie really doesn't matter.

5/5 Gary Cairns was awesome in this! a new actor ill be watching! made the film work. cool story we can all learn from. how to treat others better.

5/5 (Not a single spoiler). I didn't expect something of this class. This movie has gone way more far than some Hollywood's "classics". This movie seemed to be at first charming, somehow funny and a little bit slow , which makes yourself really feel the movie at last. If you have ever been related to an event of which this guys are surrounded by, (all kinds of abuse) you will totally love this movie.

2/5 Uninspired dialogue made this story boring enough to finally give up on it. Skip ahead to the last forty minutes if you really want to hear the same word repeatedly. Then check out The Wire; it does it better.

5/5 wow this movie is amazing its a must see!!! its dark, sad, funny, true and heartfelt all in one. its a great eye opener on how much young adults need to be herd and helped not just pushed tp the side like an outcast this kind of thing happens everyday all over the world and can and WILL drive someonecrazy..... and people wonder why kids bring guns and things to school, when all along it could be prevented if someone would just take the time to listen and pay attention...

1/5 Slow one sided drama with low production value and dreadful dialogue (the badness of the dialogue really can't be overstated). The portrayal of the families dysfunction coupled with the actions of the school administrators/teachers is ludicrously over the top to the point that none of the characters are sufficiently humanized. This results in movie's finale being cartoonish; presumably opposite of the desired affect. Better options out there.

2/5 This movie is terrible. The dialogue is awful. The characters are shallow and one-dimensional. And the last half hour is one scene after another of depressing, horrible stuff--as another review mentioned: sodomy, incest, suicide, and to top it all off, a school shooting which the main charactershows no real remorse for having participated in.

1/5 Boo Hoo , fat stoned and lazy does ,not a victim make. Who was not bullied as a young person? After seeing how most my bullies behaved I

determined "Hate begins at home" I admit I has a \$hit childhooh but I out grew my exitstence and became the non pretencious person I am today., as well noticing those bullies of byesterday never grew up they only grew older, most likely passing their own "Personal Hate" on to their abused partners and their clueless people pleasing children

4/5 this was a really good movie, i guess i would have to say, watch who you mess with, you never know how it could come back on you !

1/5 This movie was horrible on all fronts. Actors seemed off cue in some scenes, writing was horrible and the story seemed to drag on and on to a more despicable conclusion. The plot would have been better if graphic violence didn't seem like the only motivation for the film. It would have been more believable if each protagonists story was told seperately. I can't remember the last time I saw a bad movie but this definitely qualifies. If you enjoy graphic depictions of bullying and male rape, horrible and abusive parenting glorified, and the image of all southerners being racially bigoted and school ineptness; this movie is for you.

3/5 Metaphor for Columbine-type killings. Not an entertaining movie, but quite addictive. The characters and their situations are too real. That adults can do this to their children is what is so scary.

5/5 For the budget this was excellent. I have to say, it gets more intense the more you watch it, so don't give up in the beginning because it warms up. I really cared about the characters and felt connected to all of them. I can see how some institutions can drive one crazy, especially a teenager. I really think this gives another point of view as to what happens during school shootings that the media never portrays.

5/5 I don't really want to rate this film, I will however rate it five stars, as I feel that's what it deserves. It's an excellent film, but I certainly did not enjoy it. This is a must see but if you expect an easy film this is far from that.

5/5 This movie truely reflects what is going on everywhere and everyday in

this country! I too am amazed at the number of negative reviews, I really feel sorry for these reviewers because they cant or will not see what is staring them right in the face. I also realize that looking into mirrors is difficult at best, but if we, as a society dont, the things in this movie become the norm. I thought this film was very well written, directed, and acted. The combination of the later makes this film work. I believe this movie should not only be shown to student bodies, but faculty and parents as well. That said, it is what should be done and sadly what will not be done, and even sader, what is dipicted in this movie will continue to happen everywhere and everyday in this country!!!!

2/5 Dumb movie. Really inaccurate to normal high school life. Bad acting. Corny drama. And how that guy slept with that cheerleader that fast.... BULL CRAP.

1/5 The 1st thing I hear when explaining the black kid is "the white nigg^r" yeahhhh not watching it.

4/5 I really dont know what to say about this movie. I did enjoy it and really felt bad for the 4 main characters. They all went through alot at home and school.

4/5 the acting kinda sucks and the movie can feel as it just going downhill and won't pick back up but it's good solid story and worth watching if you like gritty dark movies.

5/5 This movie was incredibly powerful, disturbing, thought provoking - but in the end really messed up. Great indie film!

1/5 I am at an utter loss as to why anyone gave this film even the most remotely positive review. There is literally not a single redeeming aspect of it. The story is trite and uninspired. The script is poor. The plot twists are ridiculous. The acting is utterly atrocious. So bad that even if other aspects had been better, the horrendous acting would have been so distracting as to ruin it. Alas there weren't any even slightly good aspects of the film so the acting almost seemed like the least of it. In fact, the deplorable acting

was a slight (unintentional) comic relief. If this were a student film, and I mean like a high school student film, it would still be sadly lacking in almost every aspect a film has to offer. As a film that is supposedly made by professionals, it's one of the worst I have ever seen. I give very few films one star, but this deserved zero. Less than zero. Oh and it's ending is ridiculous. Laughable, even. Yet I suppose that's fitting.

1/5 one of the worst movies ive seen in a while. horrible acting and plot. couldnt even finish it, it was so utterly boring it was painful to watch. hated all the characters except for the cool blk guy. the fat guy was a jerk and just craved attention. purposely was disrespectful to everyone but his friends just so he could be cool. not worth my or any of your time. this movie should be negative stars. anyone who rated this more than 2 stars obviously has no taste in movies

1/5 I never write reviews, and the fact that I'm writing one should clue you in on how bad this movie is. low budget independent dramas are fine. What is not fine is over acting, a bad script, and a blatant overuse of the F word. I see what the film makers were trying to do. By showing you four misfits who had bad home lives, or were persecuted at school. Wlth one of the boys, i think they went too far, not that the subject matter wasn't worthy, only that they did it in a way that i found distasteful. The writing is so bad that there is an actual scene where two cast members scream F-bomb laden obscenities at each other for five minutes, and its not even witty!!! Its supposed to be dramatic but it comes off painful. Besides the bad acting you have the horrible music, (and yes there was a three minute sing-a-long) terrible editing, and bad sound (sometimes it was cut out by accident). All in all this was a movie with a message that was delivered poorly.

5/5 Just Half-way through the movie and I am writing this review! Loving it! Love the whole concept of the movie!

1/5 Absolutely horrible movie. Extremely low budget, badly acted, and an all around terrible film. Have you ever seen a movie so bad, you wanted to

cancel your streaming account right after the movie was over, or what you were able to make it through? This is one of those movies that scream, come on, Netflix... put on some better content. Two thumbs down along with two toes!

1/5 I turned this off real quick. The premise sounds similar to Fight Club. Lash out at the paradoxes and horrors of the world. The difference is Fight Club has the right direction because the people in the club saw the big picture. Everywhere is a paradox so you shouldn't have to be oppressed to lash out. Rebellion derives from the lack of oppression. Also Fight Club is far more creative (though ultimately all in Rupert or Durden, whoever's mind). And in the grand scheme of things this Mad World movie is close to just an excuse to have high school teenagers as the main characters. Not that much else than that.

4/5 This movie suffered from some seriously awful acting in parts but then redeemed itself with some stellar performances. The story dragged in places but then came around and shocked you in others. A real roller coaster ride. This movie made a statement at how society and our educational system is constantly letting down kids that are having difficulties at home. Instead of identifying and helping the situation, they exacerbate it to what can become a violent end. Could this be the untold story of what really causes a school shooting to happen? The movie creates an interesting debate topic that everyone should explore. I personally think teachers are getting paid way too much and doing way too little for our students so this movie really spoke to me.

5/5 All the naysayers to this movie just don't get it. If you need to cancel your Netflix account because the movie offended your senses, then do so and go put your head back in the sand! For far too long, society has turned a blind eye to bullying, senseless hatred and prejudice. And for too long, bullies have gotten away with their insufferable mindsets and false sense of empowerment, while others have felt powerless to do anything. As for "Mad World," much of the acting is average, but the story is powerful. Several of

the scenes do offend... but they should offend your sense of basic human decency, morality and humanity. in real life, far too many kids are brutalized or neglected by the trusted people who were supposed to love, care and protect them. If you were offended by this moving, good... maybe there is some hope for you! The movie should make your blood boil over the cruelty and criminal behavior inflicted on anyone, let alone children, that has forced people to contemplate drastic, self-destructive responses. And hopefully, the film will be powerful enough to move more people to realize that we need to be part of a solution to bullying and prejudice. rjl

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5/5 I was moved. Real life hurts clash with the reality of the public school system. Makes you consider where people are at and what leads them down that path.