

## Thoughts about the movie Wonder

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[Wonder](#) released last year became a blockbuster. The movie raised more than \$300 million worldwide and Oscar winner Julia Roberts is one of the main actresses. The story (based on the best-selling novel of the same title by R.J. Palacio) is about August Pullman, a young boy played by the amazing Canadian actor Jacob Tremblay. Pullman was raised in upper Manhattan, New York. He has a rare medical facial disease called Treacher Collins syndrome.

The film presents many tribulations that Pullman has to go through, mainly in his private school. To me, the main message of this movie is the importance of [inner beauty](#). I remember a cute man that I used to see a few times for cocktails. Often, I had interesting discussions with him. However, my opinion of him changed drastically when he told me he does not believe that the Holocaust ever occurred. I was appalled by his anti-Semitic arguments and suddenly he appeared ugly to me. I could not see his outer beauty anymore.

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We live in a world that puts too much emphasis on outward beauty and our modern society is dominated by images. We tend to forget that most of us will not look appealing and/or young forever. Our external attractive attributes will fade with time. We are also inclined to ignore the popular maxim “you can’t judge a book by its cover”. From my point of view, beauty is spiritual; it is a question of heart and soul. The most important thing that matters is what resides inside us; in other words, our humanity. To paraphrase the great [Dr. Martin Luther King](#), we should assess others mainly on the content of their character. The movie also conveys the message about embracing diversity and other differences.

*Wonder*

is a very moving motion picture and viewers will be touched deeply by the kindness of Pullman. In my opinion, inner beauty is the most important message to take away from this film.



The DVD and Blu-ray are available on [www.barnesandnoble.com](http://www.barnesandnoble.com), [www.amazon.ca](http://www.amazon.ca), [www.amazon.com](http://www.amazon.com)  
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