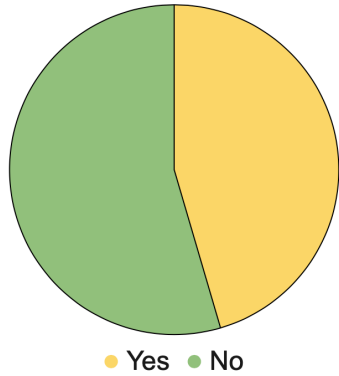


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Remaking popular movies are often unnecessary

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There have been many attempts to remake popular movies and TV shows. The CGI remake of "The Lion King," the "Bel-Air" remake, and the "That '90s Show" remake are some examples of remakes that actually did amazing.

Now, I wanna talk about some remakes, past and upcoming, that did not quite hit the mark with me. I am in no way a critic, nor do I claim to have extensive knowledge about movies and shows, but I will nevertheless make sure my distaste is heard about the new "Harry Potter" remake.

Am I still going to watch it? Yes, because I really want to see what was

created. No doubt that it's going to have some weight, with the director being Mark Mylod, known for his work in "Succession" and "Game of Thrones."

My dislike is not with the casting or the director. The concept is what gets me. I will not be able to look at the new Harry Potter series and have the same or even similar feeling to what I had watching the movies.

The softness of the camera, the character chemistry, I will not be able to work past that. And it is not just me. Many people on the internet share the same opinion.

But with that being said, I think something popular, nostalgic and downright beautiful should have been left alone.

The memory and the bond the viewers had with the characters in the show, the houses as well, should have been something we got to go back and enjoy. Because who has watched whatever they had created after the Deathly Hallows I and II?

Moving away from something new, let's go back a few years when they remade "Mean Girls." Every teenage girl and boy knows that this movie was a rite of passage. For me, Harry Potter was how I viewed American high

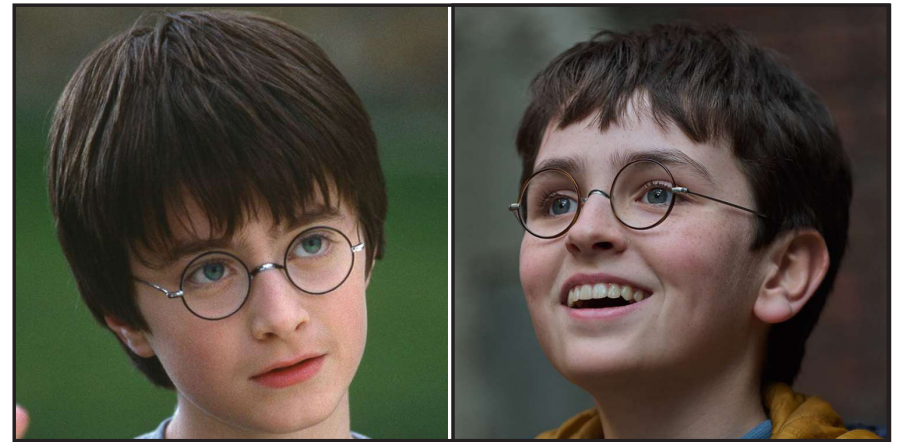
schools from back in Bangladesh.

From the iconic trio, to the costumes, the visuals and the way you actually got angry at the characters and the way Cady embodied the mean girl energy throughout the movie, was something really extraordinary.

But, how many of us really enjoyed the remake and thought yes, this was necessary? The new "Mean Girls" movie, whose casting was good, liked the actors individually, but the acting and chemistry, putting the story together, was actually really bad.

I loved the girls individually, but I feel like they did not click the way the original cast did. It felt very low production and rushed, and majority of the people I asked did not even end up watching the movie in the first place.

Now, everyone's opinions differ, some may have liked it and even thought the remakes were better and picture quality was better, but for me, nothing beats the original. They did it once, and I think we need to revisit existing nostalgia instead of trying to cash in on it.



(Left) Daniel Radcliffe who starred in the original Harry Potter franchise 2001-2011, next to Dominic McLaughlin (right) starring in the new Harry Potter HBO series.

The case against pineapple: protecting real pizza

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Pizza is a unique savory food that people have gravitated toward for years. It is the meal that brings people together, oftentimes the center of family meals when it comes to big gatherings. It is one of the premier foods people think of when it comes to big-time games, fights, or even reunions.

One development that has become usual over time is toppings on pizza. Toppings like pepperoni, sausage and peppers are very popular.

However, there is one topping that takes it too far.

Pineapple.

Pineapple is a fruit. Fruit should not be placed on pizza. Case closed.

Pineapple on pizza or Hawaiian pizza, was invented in 1962 by Sam Panopoulos, who was a Greek-Canadian restaurateur at the Satellite restaurant in Ontario, Canada.

In the quest to find an experimental topping, Panopoulos combined canned pineapple with ham to create the unique sweet and savory taste that you get eating that concoction.

Funnily enough the name "Hawaiian Pizza" simply comes from the fact that it named after the pineapples used.

This creation was a huge mistake. Pizza is a savory food, and savory with sweetness does not mix. Pineapple is a fruit, creating a lot of juice within the pizza, which can cause many issues with texture, including an increase in sogginess and potential coldness.

Furthermore, the juice that a pineapple provides could take away from the key taste of the marinara sauce. With the increase of moisture and wetness that pineapple provides, it could cause the crust to be damp,

softening the crust.

The traditional Hawaiian pizza also has a huge overconsumption of salt combined with extra sweetness. The combination is a pure accident waiting to happen. This overcompensation is like putting a random pizza together on a cooking app; it simply does not work.

Pineapple does not complement pizza; it takes away from it with the constant acidity that the sweetness includes. The traditional tomato, cheese and sometimes the addition of herbs plus meat flavor are overpowered by the tangy and sweet taste of a singular pineapple.

Pineapple on pizza has ruined the traditional pizza creation. Pizza was first created in Naples, Italy, in the late 18th century as an Italian-based food. It was created at the time as a food that could be made quickly for the increasing working population. The original toppings were flatbread with toppings like tomatoes, cheese, garlic

and oil.

Sticking pineapple on a pizza eliminates the original traditional use pizza was meant for. If people want fruit so badly, they could just order fruit with their pizza or go to the grocery store and buy fruit. Fruits can be used for many things like healthy desserts, cakes, smoothies, and even in juices plus yogurts. Fruit should never be used for pizza, snatching that traditional savory taste.

The addition of fruit on pizza diluted ingredient integrity. Food is made to complement, not to take over; pineapple takes over with its dominant sugary taste. Pizza was originally made to be handheld in a clean way. Pineapple creates this messy pizza that could be at risk of dripping juices and sauces, which is absolutely disgusting.

Pizza should be kept as a dish served with normal toppings, not one served for dessert or even with fruit. Pizza is the food that creates memories, and placing a fruit on it only disrupts those memories with the increased dopamine of a pineapple.

Better to stick to tradition and eat a real pizza.

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