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Harry Potter Stars Drenched at Premiere 哈里·波特班底明星首映式遇倾盆大雨

Harry Potter's **magic spells** might be able to fight the **forces of evil**, but they couldn't prevent a **torrential downpour** at the premiere of his latest film on Tuesday night.

Thousands of fans **braved** heavy rain as they waited in London's Leicester Square for the **launch** of Harry Potter and the Half-Blood Prince, many **camping overnight** in order to **get a good spot**.

But **hardy** fans were not disappointed as **drenched** stars Daniel Radcliffe, Rupert Grint and Emma Watson all **squelched** down the red carpet.

Radcliffe, who plays the young **wizard** himself, even spent over an hour chatting to fans in the **monsoon-like conditions** wearing only a thin suit, leaving him **soaked to the skin**.

So what's the story about this time? The sixth Potter film explores the past of the series' chief **antagonist**, Lord Voldemort, as well as the **growing pains of adolescence**.

The film is also slightly different in its feel to previous editions, with one review warning that, "Those wanting **noisy spectacle** and endless action will be disappointed. This is a **talky** Potter."

For Potter star Rupert Grint, there was more than the rain to worry about. The actor, who plays Ron Weasley, attended the premiere after recovering from a **mild case of swine flu**.

"Swine flu is nothing really, I found out. It's just like normal flu, it's just that you are in bed for a while. Initially, the words 'swine flu' were kind of scary, but it was easy," he said.

With only two more films to go in the **franchise**, Radcliffe said he would miss playing Potter.

"It's going to be very, very sad to finish these movies but, at the same time, it will be exciting."



Glossary 词汇表

magic spells – 神奇的咒语	forces of evil – 邪恶的势力
torrential downpour – 急剧的倾盆大雨	braved – 勇敢的面对
launch – 首映	camping overnight – 通宵露营
get a good spot – 占据一个好位置	hardy – 坚强的, 勇猛的
drenched – 被淋透	squelched – 发出扑哧声 (如叫从黏泥中拔出时)
wizard – 男巫	monsoon-like conditions – 在下倾盆大雨的情况下
soaked to the skin - 淋透了	antagonist – 对手
growing pains of adolescence – 成长的烦恼	noisy spectacle – 热闹火爆场景
talky – 对白多的	mild case – 轻度
swine flu – 猪流感 (H1N1甲型流感)	franchise – 特许拍片权

1. Reading Quiz 阅读测验

Are these sentences true or false? Circle the correct answer.

以下句子哪句是真?哪句是假? 请圈出正确答案。

1. Seven Harry Potter films are planned in total. **True / False**
2. This Harry Potter film has fewer action scenes. **True / False**
3. Daniel Radcliffe stayed dry by wearing a raincoat. **True / False**
4. Rupert Grint's case of swine flu was not severe. **True / False**
5. Some fans camped overnight so they could be close to the film stars at the premiere. **True / False**

2. Rain Words 和雨有关的词语

a) Word Types 词语类型

英国人对于雨有很多不同的描绘，请把以下的单词归类。请参考给出的例子。

Verbs

rain

Nouns

rain

Adjectives

rain	monsoon
rainy	drench
pour	downpour
chuck it down	splash
torrential	shower
drizzle	soaked to the skin
spit	foul

b) Word Definitions 单词解释

请把以上单词和以下解释搭配。注意：有些单词可以重复使用。

1. _____. A season of heavy tropical rain.
2. _____. To make something very wet.
3. _____. A period of heavy rainfall.
4. _____. A short period of rain.
5. _____. To rain very lightly.
6. _____. To rain heavily.

3) Words in Context 完型填空

请用以下单词或短语完成下列短文。注意：每个单词只可使用一次。

drenched	spitting	torrential	
chuck it down	soaking	shower	foul

Harriet was sick of the _____ weather. She opened the door and stuck her hand out cautiously. It was just _____. She picked up her umbrella and left the house.

As she turned the corner of her road, she saw a bus pull up at the stop. She ran for it but it was no use. The bus pulled off.

No sooner had it done this then it started to _____. Harriet opened her umbrella but it was absolutely _____.

"Maybe it's just a summer _____," she thought, and ran to a nearby shop to wait until it passed.

After ten minutes the storm eased off and Harriet stepped out from the shelter of the shop. A bus was coming! She ran to the stop and waved her arm, signalling for it to stop.

But the bus didn't stop. It swung close to Harriet and went through an enormous puddle, _____ poor Harriet from head to foot. She was absolutely _____!

"I'm sick of this awful weather!" she moaned.

4. Wordsearch 单词搜索

Try to find the words associated with this week's topic in the puzzle below.

There are ten words to find. Words can be written horizontally (→), vertically (↓) or diagonally (↘)

请找出和本周题目相关的英语单词。

共有10个单词，其组成方式可能以水平的(→)垂直的(↓)或对角的(↘)形式出现。

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n	a	f	f	i	n	g	o	o	g	o	i
c	u	l	e	d	o	w	n	p	o	u	r
h	o	u	r	t	a	m	s	o	n	p	l
s	a	b	r	a	v	e	d	l	i	l	y
f	a	r	e	l	i	n	g	e	s	e	a
u	l	a	d	k	i	n	a	s	t	o	r
r	a	i	n	y	t	a	p	a	l	e	l

wizard	downpour	antagonist	rainy	braved
hardy	swine flu	franchise	launch	talky

Answers 答案

1. Reading Quiz 阅读测验

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- Some fans camped overnight so they could be close to the film stars at the premiere. **True**

2. Rain Words 和雨有关的词语

a) Word Types 词语类型

Verbs: rain, pour, chuck it down, drizzle, spit, drench, splash, shower

Nouns: rain, drizzle, monsoon, downpour, shower

Adjectives: rainy, torrential, soaked to the skin, foul

b) Word Definitions 单词解释

- monsoon. A season of heavy tropical rain.
- drench. To make something very wet.
- downpour. A period of heavy rainfall.
- shower. A short period of rain.
- drizzle, spit. To rain very lightly.
- chuck it down. To rain heavily.

3) Words in Context 完型填空

Harriet was sick of the **foul** weather.

It was just **spitting**.

No sooner had it done this then it started to **chuck it down**.

Harriet opened her umbrella but it was absolutely **torrential**.

"Maybe it's just a summer **shower**"

It swung close to Harriet and went through an enormous puddle, **soaking** poor Harriet from head to foot.

She was absolutely **drenched!**

4. Wordsearch 单词搜索

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