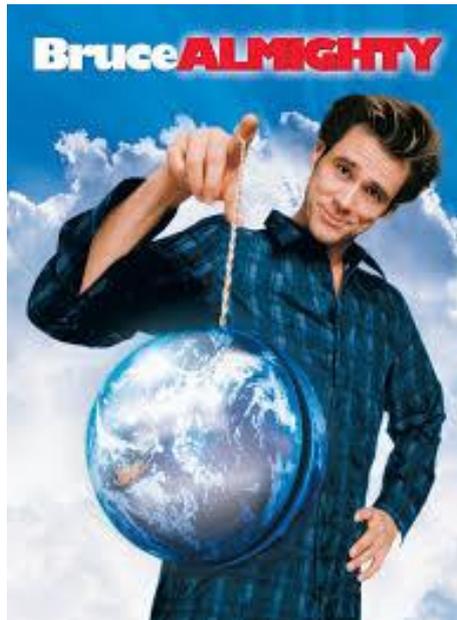


Bruce Almighty



Synopsis: Bruce Nolan's career in TV has been stalled for a while, and when he's passed over for a coveted anchorman position, he loses it, complaining that God is treating him poorly. Soon after, God actually contacts Bruce and offers him all of his powers if he thinks he can do a better job. Bruce accepts and goes on a spree, using his new-found abilities for selfish, personal use until he realizes that the prayers of the world are going unanswered.

Genre: Fantasy comedy film

Year: 2003

Director: Tom Shadyac

Main characters: Jim Carrey and Morgan Freeman

Worksheet

“that’s the way the cookie crumbles”

- A) What does this metaphor mean?
- B) Can you think of another metaphor expressing something similar?

At 13:10 Grace says to Bruce,

“I don’t want you to get too ahead of yourself”

- C) Is it physically possible to be ahead of yourself? What does Grace mean?

At 18:00 the way in which Bruce says,

“yea you BETTER keep walking” to the gang in the back alley, which causes them to attack him.

- D) Why does the gang attack him?

- E) What do you think is meant by *“a bird in the hand’s worth 2 in the bush”* at 19:34?

The name of the building in which Bruce first meets God is called *“Omni-presents”*.

- F) This is a pun or play on words. What is Omni-presents a pun of?

Bruce uses a mixture of modern English and older stylized English when he says,

“Surely I say unto you dudes, I do not wish to fight, so as soon as you apologize and make a full reckoning of your transgressions, I shall absolve you and continue along the path of righteousness” when he meets the gang again.

- G) Please rewrite the above lines in your own words.

At 47:28 Bruce is in his sports car and says,

“all this horsepower and no room to gallop”

- H) What does he compare the car with?

At 52:45 Grace’s sister says to her,

“c’mon, you do the math...”

- I) This is a figure of speech. What does it mean?

At 1:06:55 Bruce yells

"You can't leave me, I'm the alpha lady...I'm the omega baby!"

- J) What do alpha and omega mean?
- K) What does Bruce consider himself to be when he says this?

At 1:08:10 Bruce asks God,

"she'll take me back right?"

to which God answers,

"would you take you back?"

Bruce does not answer God's question because the question doesn't need to be answered.

- L) What kind of question is this?
- M) Can you think of any other commonly-asked questions that are of the same type?

At 1:21:15 Bruce says to Evan,

"I've been a royal prick."

- N) What does this mean?
- O) Does it mean Bruce is some kind of king?