## Surprises Found in the New *Star Trek* Movie

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The much-anticipated, J.J. Abrams-directed *Star Trek* opened in theaters around the world this week. The movie is a reboot of the franchise, and chronicles the early days of Captain James T. Kirk and his well-known crew members. Going back to the beginning of the story made sense, but several other choices made by the filmmakers were much more unusual...

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- —Unpleasant sequence in which Kirk waterboards an Ewok. (*Jameson*)
- —A Slyder-craving Sulu forces the Enterprise to make several unnecessary trips to White Castle. (*Matt*)
- —Far more scenes involving graphic sex between horses than you'd expect to see in a PG-13 movie. (*Brandon*)
- —Far, far more full frontal nudity than could ever be considered necessary or desirable, even by people who are huge fans of full frontal nudity. (*Joe*)
- —Brett Favre retires to get out of his contractual obligation to the Federation, then later signs on with the Romulans. (*Mike*)
- —Uhura totally lets Kirk "boldly go where no man has gone before." (Brad)
- —In accordance with J.J. Abrams tradition, every character utters the line "Holy jeepers, Captain Taco!" at least once. (*Jameson*)
- —All Klingons in the film are depicted as being hilariously, flamboyantly gay. (*Joe*)
- —Closing credit outtakes where Dom DeLuise's madcap behavior in the filming of various scenes cracks up Burt Reynolds. (*Mike*)
- —In a nod to hard-core *Heroes* fans, Zachary Quinto delivers a stilted, awful performance. (*Jameson*)
- —In the 23rd century, where the film is set, the Cubs still haven't won another World Series. (*Brandon*)
- —The Enterprise's famous Captain's chair is now simply a blatant product placement for a similar chair available from The Sharper Image. (*Matt*)
- —It turns out that the origin of the phrase "Beam me up, Scotty" simply comes from Captain Kirk asking for some

Jim Beam. (Joe)

- —Shouting match between teenage Kirk and his dad in which young Jim complains about being saddled with the embarrassing middle name Tiberius. (*Jameson*)
- —Inexplicably wacky battle montage set to The Baha Men's "Who Let the Dogs Out." (*Brandon*)
- —We learn that Spock's slow, slightly condescending speech pattern was the result of an undiagnosed stroke caused by a teenage autoerotic asphyxiation fetish. (*Matt*)
- —Budget cuts in the makeup department forced the filmmakers to cast <u>Jocelyn Wildenstein</u> as one of the key alien villains. (*Jameson*)
- —During the film's climactic battle, Kirk takes a break to Twitter. (*Mike*)
- —Ill-conceived crossover visit from the Harlem Globetrotters. (*Jameson*)
- —Those bumps on the Klingons' foreheads? Let's just say they are "ribbed for her pleasure." (*Brad*)
- —The word "space" is used as a prefix to nearly everything: "How are you space doing today?" "How did you space sleep last night?" "What would you like for space dinner?" It's cute at first, but eventually gets really, really annoying. (*Joe*)
- —Short on ideas for Bones's trademark "Dammit, Jim..." catchphrase, the writers resorted to some odd choices: "I'm a doctor, not an iguana whisperer!" "I'm a doctor, not a golf caddy!" "I'm a doctor, not a housebroken labradoodle!" (*Jameson*)
- —In lieu of sound effects, actors simply shout "pew, pew, pa-PEW!" while pretending to fire their prop phasers. (*Joe*)
- —Eric Bana proves that Australians can still be sexy in outer space, contrary to what it says in the Bible. (*Matt*)
- —Ten minute monologue from Chekov about how much he loves jonnycakes. (*Brandon*)
- —Kirk's father? Darth Vader. (Mike)

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