Interstellar 2014 (by Mohsen Abolhasani)



2014 film, 8.6/10 IMDb, 71% Rotten Tomatoes, 74% Metacritic

In Earth's future, a global crop blight and second Dust Bowl are slowly rendering the planet uninhabitable. Professor Brand (Michael Caine), a brilliant NASA physicist, is working on plans to save mankind by transporting Earth's population to a new home via a wormhole. But first, Brand must send former NASA pilot Cooper (Matthew McConaughey) and a team of researchers through the wormhole and across the galaxy to find out which of three planets could be mankind's new home.

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Director: Christopher Nolan

Running time: 2h 49m

Music composed by: Hans Zimmer

Awards: Academy Award for Best Visual Effects, more

Slangs, idioms and expressions used in the movie

1. The **blight** came and we had to burn everything

Blight: a plant disease, especially one caused by fungi such as mildews, rusts, and smuts

2. What the heck did you do to my lander?

Lander: a spacecraft designed to land on the surface of a planet or moon

- 3. To talk about science, you got to get to the how and the why, then present your conclusions
- 4. Be nice to her. She's single... **repopulating** the earth.

Repopulate: introduce a population into (a previously occupied area or country)

5. We blew a tire

Blow a tire: To make a sudden rupture or bursting, as of an automobile tire

6. Keep that aimed right at it

Keep sth aimed at sth else: to directly point at / refer to sth

7. The university only takes a handful

Handful: a quantity that fills the hand; as many as fingers in one hand

8. You're **ruling** my son **out** for college now?

Rule s.o out: 1. exclude, eliminate. 2 : to make impossible : prevent

9. A: What's your waistline? B: About a 33 inseam?

Waistline: an imaginary line around a person's body at the waist, especially with respect to its size Inseam: the seam in a pair of pants from the crotch to the bottom of the leg, or the length of this

10. Apollo missions were faked to **bankrupt** the Soviet Union

Bankrupt: reduce (a person or organization) to bankruptcy; to harm a person or organization financially

- 11. If we don't want the repeat of excess and wastefulness of the 20th century,...
- 12. Murph got into a fistful with several of her classmates

Get into a fistful: start fighting s.o

13. We thought it might be good to bring you in

در جریان گذاشتن Bring someone in: to let s.o know about s.th

14. Those combines you rebuilt went haywire

Go haywire: to go out of control or become erratic

15. It's a doozey

Doozey (also doozy): 1. something outstanding or unique of its kind 2. Something that is difficult or daunting

16. Let's mask up

Mask up: wear / put on one's mask

- 17. Make yourself useful: said to encourage s.o to do sth
- 18. I want my daughter by my side

By one's side: close to or beside someone

19. A: How did you find this place? B: we sort of **stumbled upon it**

Stumble upon: To come upon accidentally or unexpectedly

- 20. You're sitting in the **best-kept secret** in the world
- 21. We're NASA
- 22. The unshakable faith
- 23. I was wondering if she could take a nap in my office

Take a nap: sleep shortly

24. That doesn't even qualify as futile

Qualify: consider sth as competent or eligible

Futile: incapable of producing any useful result; pointless

25. Something tripped my fly-by-wire

Trip: walk, run, or dance with quick light steps

Fly-by-wire: a semiautomatic and typically computer-regulated system for controlling the flight of an aircraft or spacecraft

26. The Lazarus missions

27. Each person's landing pod had enough life support for two years but they could use

hibernation to stretch that

Hibernation: To be in an inactive or dormant state or period

Stretch: elongate or extend

28. A viable amount of human life

Viable: (of a plant, animal, or cell) capable of surviving or living successfully, especially under particular environmental conditions; able to germinate

29. With surrogacy, the growth becomes exponential

Surrogacy: the action or state of being a surrogate (a substitute, especially a person deputizing for another in a specific role or office)

30. You're asking me to hang everything on an almost!

Hang sth on sth: Near to in quantity or amount

- 31. Don't trust the right thing done for the wrong reason
- 32. Without making promises you don't know you can keep
- 33. What's your **humor setting**?
- 34. A: What's your honesty parameter? B: 90 percent!
- 35. Is a lion evil because it **rips** a gazelle **to shreds?**

Rip to shreds: To cause great damage, disorder, or ruin to someone or something

36. How's gravity treating you back then?

37. Murph is a bright spark

Spark: genius / bright-minded

38. She's already **making a fool of** her teachers

Make a fool of s.o: trick or deceive (someone) so that they look foolish

39. Say it! Don't spray it!

Spray: talk unclearly

40. There's no time for monkey business

Monkey business: silly, mischievous, or deceitful acts or behavior.

41. It'll need to shave some speed

Shave: reduce

42. Don't **shake** your **head at** me!

43. Time is relative. It can stretch or squeeze but it can't run backwards!

44. It rules out telling a 10-year-old that the world is ending

Rule out: to dismiss from consideration; to make impossible; preclude or prevent

45. Don't be morbid, Professor!

Morbid: characterized by or appealing to an abnormal and unhealthy interest in disturbing and unpleasant subjects, especially death and disease; to die

46. We need to go further afield

To go further afield: to step forward; to go ahead when finding or searching about sth

- 47. **The tiniest possibility of** seeing him again excites me
- 48. The last time I slept, I didn't set a waking date

49. I've mounted several expeditions

Mount: organize and initiate (a campaign or other significant course of action)

50. That monstrous lie!

Monstrous: extremely and dauntingly large; inhumanly or outrageously evil or wrong

51. Our supplies were completely exhausted

Exhaust: To use up completely; to deplete

52. I'd be remiss if I ...

Remiss: Lax in attending to duty; negligent

53. Let me make something abundantly clear

54. He'll maroon us?

Maroon: To abandon or isolate with little hope of ready rescue or escape

55. I'm nosing down

Nose down: to head down; to dive

56. You're **no spring chicken** anymore!

No spring chicken: no longer young or in a healthy state

57. Start pulling your weight!

Pull one's weight: do one's share in a common task

Synopsis/plot

A widespread catastrophic crop blight on Earth has made farming increasingly difficult and threatens the existence of humanity. Joe Cooper, a widowed former NASA pilot, runs a farm with his father-in-law, son, and daughter Murphy, who believes her bedroom is haunted by a poltergeist. When the "ghost" creates a pattern of dust on the floor, Cooper realizes an unknown intelligence is using gravity to communicate, and interprets the pattern as geographic coordinates, which Cooper and Murphy follow to a secret NASA facility.

There, they meet Dr. Brand, a college professor of Cooper's. Brand reveals that a wormhole, apparently created by an alien intelligence, appeared near Saturn 48 years before and leads to a distant galaxy, 10 billion lightyears from Earth and the Milky Way,[4] with numerous potentially habitable planets. Twelve volunteers have gone through it, knowing they were unlikely to be able to return, each to assess a different planet's suitability as a new home for humanity. Three – Miller, Edmunds and Mann – have sent encouraging data from planets near Gargantua, a supermassive black hole. Brand recruits Cooper to pilot the spacecraft Endurance to evaluate as many of the planets as possible, while he works on "Plan A", a theory to harness gravity for propulsion, which would allow humanity to leave Earth. However, should his efforts fail, the Endurance also carries 5,000 frozen embryos as "Plan B", to provide for humanity's survival. Cooper agrees to the plan, angering Murphy.

Cooper's crew consists of three scientists – Romilly, Doyle, and Brand's daughter Amelia – and robots TARS and CASE. Traversing the wormhole, they first head to Miller's planet, an ocean world where time is severely dilated due to the proximity to Gargantua; for each hour there, seven years pass on Earth. While Romilly and TARS stay on the Endurance, the rest take a lander to the surface, where they find wreckage of Miller's lander. Brand and Doyle venture out further, attempting to retrieve the craft's black box. A tidal wave strikes, killing Doyle and waterlogging the lander's engines. By the time Cooper, Amelia, and CASE return to Endurance, 23 years have elapsed back on Earth.

Murphy, now an adult, has been assisting Dr. Brand with his research. On his deathbed, he admits to her that he solved the gravity equation long before and deemed Plan A impossible, and that he lied to everyone, pinning his hopes on Plan B. Murphy notifies Amelia of her father's death, then accuses her and Cooper of abandoning Earth. She continues the research, believing Plan A might work if they could get more data regarding Gargantua's singularity.

With limited fuel, Cooper decides to go to Mann's planet, rather than Edmunds', as Mann has been transmitting promising data. After being revived from cryosleep, Mann assures the crew that while the frozen planet has an ammonia-laden atmosphere, the planetary surface is fit for human survival. However, when they are alone, Mann attempts to kill Cooper, revealing that he falsified the data so he would be rescued. Mann then flees, intending to take the Endurance. Meanwhile, Romilly is killed by a booby trap Mann had set inside his own robot.

Amelia rescues Cooper, and they race to the Endurance, where Mann is attempting to dock despite a lockout of the autodocking system put in place by TARS. Mann defies Cooper's order not to open the airlock, which fails catastrophically. Mann is killed and the Endurance is severely damaged and begins to fall into the planet. Cooper manages to use the landing craft to stabilize the ship. Using Gargantua's gravity as a slingshot, they set the ship on course to Edmunds' planet; but being close to a black hole, 51 years would pass on Earth.

To shed weight, Cooper jettisons himself and TARS towards the black hole, so that Amelia and CASE can complete the journey. Cooper and TARS pass the event horizon, but emerge in a tesseract, which appears as a stream of bookshelves; with portals that look out into Murphy's bedroom at different times in her life. Cooper realizes that the tesseract and wormhole were created by fifth dimensional beings to enable him to communicate with Murphy through gravitational waves, and that he is her "ghost". He relays quantum data that TARS collected from the black hole in Morse code by manipulating the second hand of a watch he gave to Murphy before he left. Murphy uses the quantum data to solve the remaining gravitational equation, enabling Plan A.

Cooper emerges from the wormhole and is rescued by the crew of a space habitat orbiting Saturn. Aboard, he reunites with Murphy, now elderly and near death. After sharing one last goodbye, Cooper, along with TARS, leaves the habitat to rejoin Amelia, who is with CASE on Edmunds' Planet, which was found to be habitable.