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The Florida Project – Review

Fantasy and reality mix in poignant tale of childhood

Warm, winning, and gloriously alive, Sean Baker's *The Florida Project* is a deeply moving and unforgettably **poignant** look at childhood. Set on a stretch of highway just outside the imagined **utopia** of Disney World, *The Florida Project* follows six-yearold Moonee (Brooklynn Prince) and her **rebellious** mother Halley (Bria Vinai) over the course of a single summer. The two live week to week at "The Magic Castle," a



budget hotel managed by Bobby (Willem Dafoe), whose stern exterior hides a deep reservoir of kindness and compassion. Despite her harsh surroundings, the **precocious** and ebullient Moonee has no trouble making each day a celebration of life, her endless afternoons overflowing with **mischief** and grand adventure as she and her ragtag playmates - including Jancey, a new arrival to the area who quickly becomes Moon's best friend - fearlessly explore the **utterly** unique world into which they've been thrown. Unbeknownst to Moonee, however, her delicate fantasy is supported by the **toil** and sacrifice of Halley, who is forced to explore increasingly dangerous possibilities in order to provide for her daughter.



You feel as if you've slipped inside of Moonee's enchanted world, while at the same time seeing the harsh reality of Halley's. That contrast is **devastating**, right up to a final sequence that's sure to break your heart in two.

The improvisation, accompanied by the **boisterous** and happy attitudes of the children,

endows the film with a touching tone that loads of meaning the gravity of the reflections that sustain it. It's one of the most effective, honest portraits of childhood you'll ever see, and a **touching** snapshot of modern American life.



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The Florida Project – Crossword

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ACROSS

- 2. noisy, energetic and cheerful
- 6. resisting control
- 9. arousing feelings of sympathy or gratitude
- 10. profoundly moving

DOWN

1. a child that has developed certain abilities at an earlier age than expected

- 3. highly destructive or damaging
- 4. completely and without qualification; absolutely
- 5. an ideally perfect place
- 7. playful misbehaviour, especially on the part of children
- 8. exhausting physical labour



