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Please Stand By – Review

Tender and **bracing**, *Please Stand By* is an uplifting film about the determination of a young woman with **autism** so obsessed with *Star Trek* that she overcomes her biggest challenges to enter a \$100,000 contest to write a new screenplay for the series. When she realizes it's too late to meet the contest **deadline** by mail, she summons her courage and sets out to travel from San Francisco to Paramount Pictures in Los Angeles to hand deliver it herself, with her little dog, a Chihuahua named



Pete. Their **perilous** journey is fraught with obstacles and dangers that form the film's trajectory. It's a long haul, but *Please Stand By*, meticulously directed by Ben Lewin (*The Sessions*), chronicles the **pitfalls**, terrors and triumphs of the trip with heart-wrenching realism. It also touches the viewer with the subtle emotional wallop of a **feather** brushing against the heart.

Wendy (Dakota Fanning) is a brilliant and resourceful woman trapped in the prison of her own mind. Whenever she flies into uncontrollable **rages** and **tantrums**, Scottie (Toni Collette), the teacher, supervisor and psychologist in the group home where she lives, repeatedly says the words "Please stand by" to calm her nerves. Those three words become a talisman to live by as Wendy manages to buy a bus ticket to Hollywood with her **savings**.



This is a sweet confection that mercifully never gets treacly—part family adventure, part suspenseful nail-biter, and reassuringly life-affirming from start to finish, with fine ensemble work by a first-rate cast, including a lovely bit by Patton Oswalt as a Hollywood cop who restores Wendy's lost sense of security by conversing fluently in Klingon. But the powerful thread that keeps *Please Stand By* focused is Dakota Fanning's deep dedication to her role. Shy, brave, and finding strength

in unexpected places, her struggle to hold her **sanity** in check against overwhelming odds is what makes her performance—and the film—so memorable.



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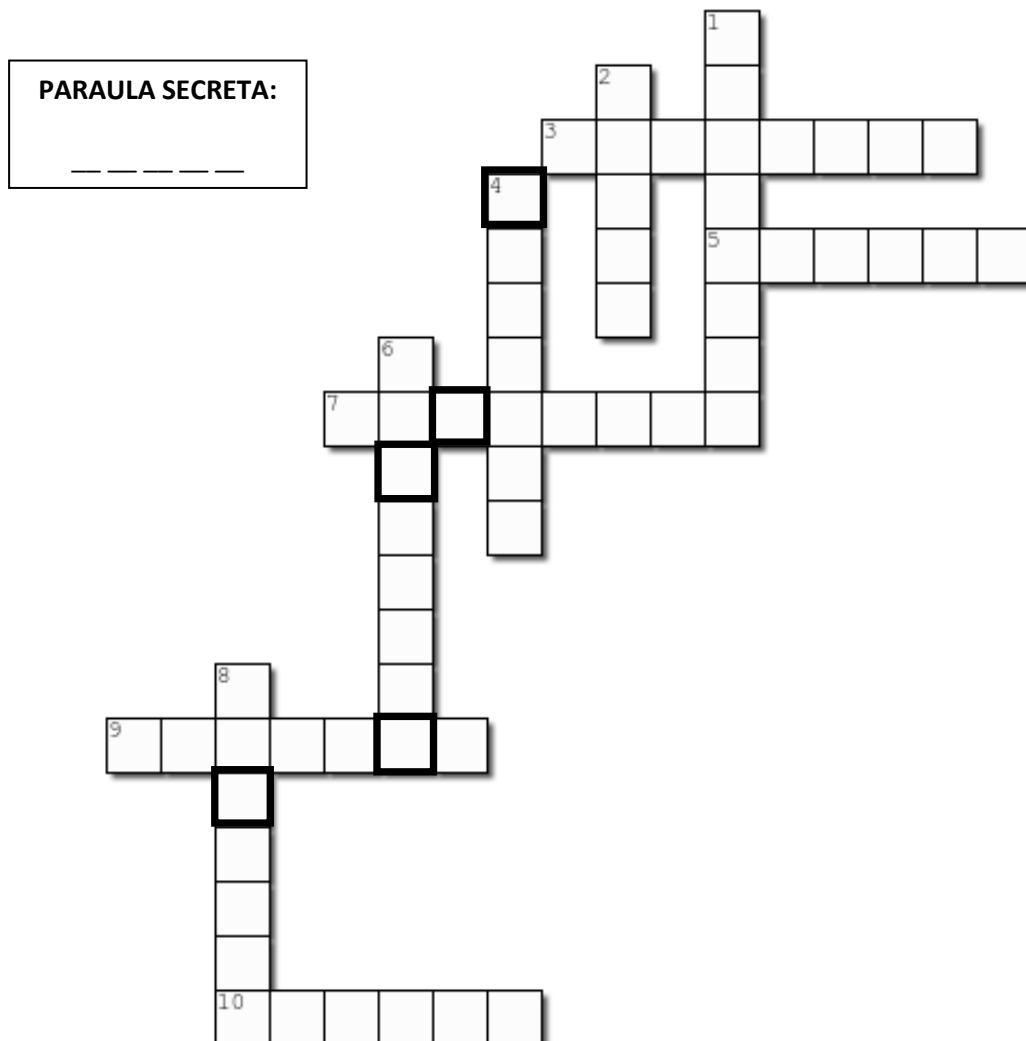


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Please Stand By – Crossword

GUANYA 2 ENTRADES GRATUÏTES AMB EL CINEMA EDISON I CAMBRIDGE SCHOOL

- 1) Completa els mots encreuats amb el vocabulari de la crítica.
- 2) Reuneix les lletres de les caselles en negreta i forma la paraula secreta.
- 3) Sigues el 1er en publicar la paraula al Facebook de Cambridge School www.facebook.com/CambridgeSchoolPage i guanyaràs 2 entrades per a una pel·lícula en VO a la **Secció Cineclub** del Cinema Edison (a recollir al mateix cinema).



ACROSS

3. an occasion when someone suddenly behaves in an angry and unreasonable way, often screaming or crying or refusing to obey someone
5. a problem in the development of a child's brain which can cause serious difficulty in communicating or forming relationships
7. very dangerous
9. narrow tubes with thin soft hairs from a bird
10. the ability to think or speak in a reasonable way and to behave normally

DOWN

1. a problem that is likely to happen in a particular situation
2. a very strong feeling of anger
4. shocking or unexpected in a way that is good as it makes people notice or think about something
6. a specific time or date which you have to do something
8. money that you have saved in a bank or invested so that you can use it later



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