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## Zombieland, so funny it's horrific

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The finale of the new horror comedy "Zombieland" takes place at a large amusement park. This is appropriate because the film itself is like an amusement park ride full of scares, laughs and pure joy.

Unlike most zombie films, "Zombieland" takes place long after the living dead have taken over the country. Columbus (Jesse Eisenberg) is a young college student who has managed to survive by strictly adhering to a set of survival rules. He had no life before the infestation, spending most of his time in front of a computer and eating pizza. He meets up with Tallahassee (Woody Harrelson), who has become an expert zombie killer.

The two are conned out of their Cadillac by two sisters, who are trying to get to an amusement park near the coast. They believe that the amusement park is somehow zombie free. Eventually Columbus and Tallahassee catch the two women and they all decide to work together.

The film is a combination of horror, comedy and the classic road movie. There are plenty of scares,



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but they are usually followed by a laugh. The film's focus is the relationship among the four travelers. This is still a horror film, so there is plenty of gore for horror fans.

The cast is excellent, especially Eisenberg and Harrelson. Eisenberg's Columbus is nerdy and socially inept. Harrelson's Tallahassee is a tough talking zombie killer who is obsessed with Twinkies. It is an odd pairing that delivers plenty of laughs and maybe even a little heart. If Clint Eastwood and Woody Allen made a zombie picture together, it would be a lot like this movie.

There is a cameo in the film that might go down in film history as one of the greatest cameos ever. Texas might have already made giving away this surprise as ground for the death penalty. The actor delivers one of his funniest roles in over a decade.

"Zombieland" is 80 minutes of scares, laughs and pure fun.

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