

Gulliver's Travels

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Direcció: Rob Letterman. **Interpretació:** Jack Black (Lemuel Gulliver), Emily Blunt (princesa Maria), Jason Segel (Horaci), Billy Connolly (rei Teodor), Catherine Tate (reina Isabelle), Olly Alexander (príncip), Amanda Peet (Darcy), James Corden (Jinks), Chris O'Dowd (Edward). **Guió:** Nicholas Stoller i Joe Stillman; basat en el llibre de Jonathan Swift. **Producció:** John Davis i Gregory Goodman. **Música:** Henry Jackman. **Fotografia:** David Tattersall. **Muntatge:** Alan Edward Bell i Dean Zimmerman. **Disseny de producció:** Gavin Bocquet. **Vestuari:** Sammy Sheldon. **Gènere:** Aventures, comèdia, familiar. **País:** USA. **Any:** 2010. **Durada:** 85 min.

Sinopsi

Jack Black interpreta el paper de Lemuel Gulliver, un humil encarregat del correu d'un diari de Nova York què a través d'enganys aconseguix l'encàrrec d'escriure un article sobre el *Triangle de les Bermudes*. Lemuel realitza el viatge i allà es veu transportat a una terra no explorada, Lilliput. En aquest fantàstic nou món, Gulliver es converteix en una persona molt important, tant en grandària com en personalitat, especialment després d'explicar grans històries, d'adjudicar-se els grans invents del nostre món i de col·locar-se al centre dels successos històrics més importants de la humanitat. La consideració de Gulliver augmenta encara més quan dirigeix els seus nous amics en una batalla contra els enemics de Lilliput. Però quan Gulliver ho perd tot i posa en perill els lil·liputencs, ha de trobar la manera de desfer el dany causat.

Activity 1. The plot of the film

Read this text and match the beginnings and the endings of the following sentences to check that you understood the story

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Lemuel Gulliver is the mail man in a fancy magazine in New York but he's not very happy about it. He meets Darcy Silverman, a woman journalist, and tells her that he likes travelling around the world, and that he's going to write an article about his experiences.

Gulliver is not a good writer and he copies a report from the internet. It is so good that Darcy sends Gulliver to Bermuda to write an article about the myth of the mysterious ***Bermuda Triangle***.

In Bermuda Gulliver rents a boat and travels into the sea, but a violent storm takes him to a strange beach. When he wakes up, he's in Lilliput and is surrounded by tiny people who consider him a beast. He's put in prison and meets Horatio, a Lilliputian who likes Princess Mary. General Edward, a soldier, also likes her and he hates Horatio for this reason.

The citizens of the opposite island, Blefuscu, are the enemies too, and they try to kidnap Princess Mary. Gulliver rescues her and also saves her father from a fire in the castle, so Gulliver becomes a hero.

But he tells a lot of lies to the citizens of Lilliput: he says that he is the President of the United States, etc. So things start to get complicated for Gulliver: his boss Darcy, discovers the truth about the article, the Blefuscians attack Lilliput, General Edward betrays his people and Gulliver is deported to a strange island, where a giant girl will make him her prisoner.

Gulliver tries hard to fight back for the things he really wants. But he needs a lot of honesty. He has to recognize his own mistakes and help the people that are important to him.

1) Lemuel Gulliver...	a) on a strange beach in Lilliput.
2) Gulliver travels...	b) two possible husbands: Horatio and Edward.
3) He wakes up...	c) lies to his editor in his job.
4) Princess Mary has...	d) want to attack Lilliput.
5) Gulliver becomes...	e) to Bermuda to write about a mystery.
6) The Blefuscians...	f) be honest if he wants to go back to New York.
7) Lemuel Gulliver must...	g) a hero when he saves the King

Activity 2. Who is who in the film?

These are the characters of the film. Read the synopsis and then try to write the names under the correct photographs.

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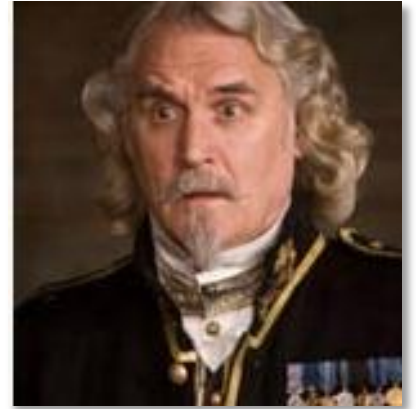
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HORATIO - KING THEODORE - GENERAL EDWARD.



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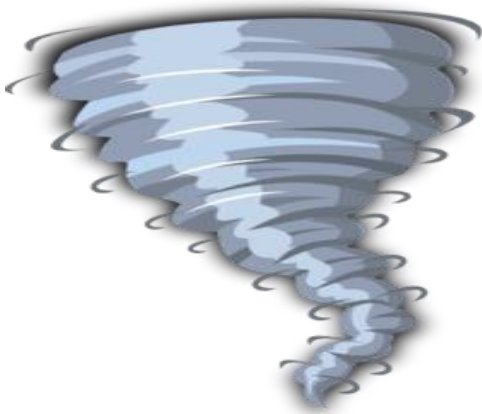
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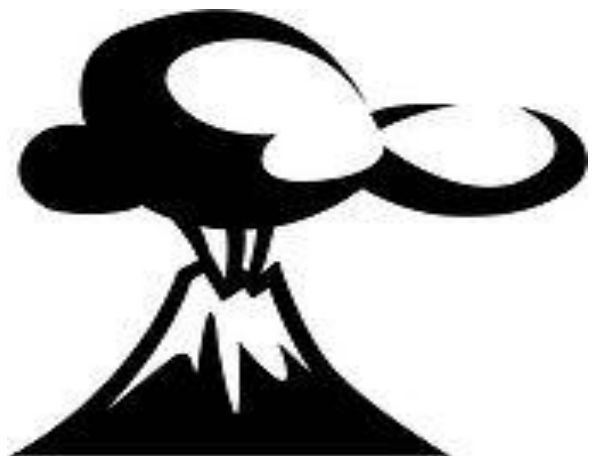
Activity 3. Natural disasters

When Lemuel Gulliver is sent to Bermuda, a strange whirlpool or tornado takes him to Lilliput. A tornado is an example of a natural disaster. Here you can see some pictures of different natural disasters and the names, but unfortunately, the Bermuda tornado mixed up all the letters. Unscramble them and write them correctly. You can use a dictionary if it is too difficult.



R-N-D-A-A-T-O

O-V-I-L-C-N-A-C
R-U-P-E-T-N-I-O





U-M-R-N-E-D-S-T-O-T-H-R

O-L-O-D-F



H-E-A-V-L-A-N-A-C



M-U-N-T-A-S-I



K-E-E-T-H-A-R-U-A-Q



Activity 4. Gulliver's photo album

Here you can see several photos of Lemuel Gulliver's life. Can you write some sentences describing them? Describe people, places, clothes, etc...

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Photo 2:
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Photo 3:
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Photo 4:
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Activity 5. The characters of fairytales

Gulliver's Travels is full of different characters that appear in fairytales: a king, a princess, a soldier, a giant and ... a robot? Read the descriptions of different fairytale characters and then choose which one they describe.

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A GIANT - A WITCH - A KING - A PRINCESS - A DWARF - A KNIGHT
- AN OGRE - A FAIRY



1) a man who rules a country because he is from a royal family



2) an extremely tall strong man, who is often bad and cruel, in children's stories



3) the daughter of a king and a queen



4) a small imaginary creature with magic powers, which looks like a very small person



5) an imaginary creature that looks like a small man



6) a woman who is supposed to have magic powers, especially to do bad things



7) a large imaginary person in children's stories who eats people



8) a medieval man who trained to fight while riding a horse



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