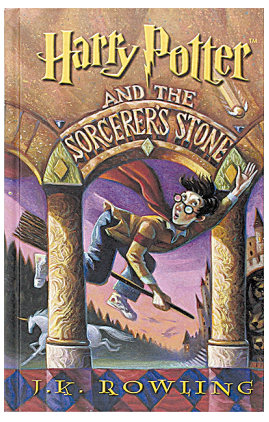
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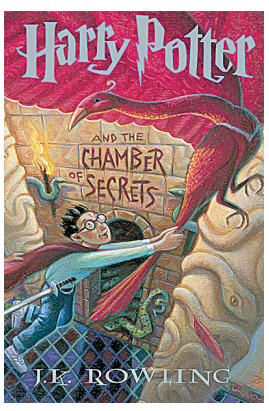
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On Nov. 16, 2001 — a quarter-century ago — the first Harry Potter film, "Harry Potter and the Sorcerer's Stone" starring Daniel Radcliffe, Emma Watson and Rupert Grint and based on the first of a series of children's novels by J. K. Rowling, opened in theaters.

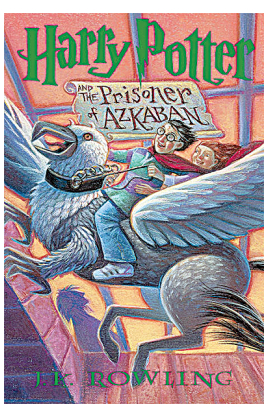
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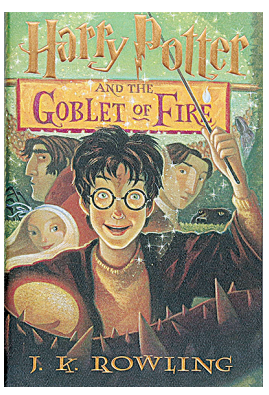
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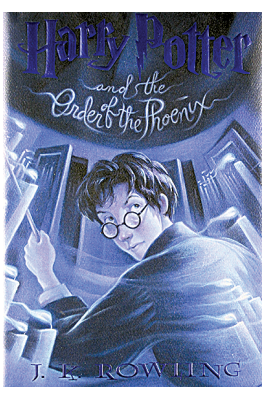
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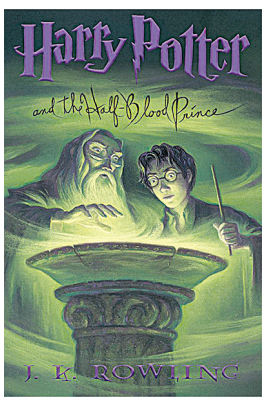
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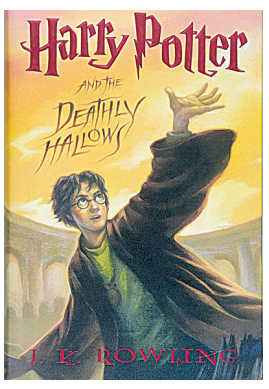
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Harry Potter and the Sorcerer's Stone
Nov. 16, 2001

Length: 2 hours, 32 minutes

Notable: In the U.K., both the book and the movie are called "Harry Potter and the Philosopher's Stone."

Amusing: Daniel Radcliffe would break 80 prop wands and go through 160 pairs of fake glasses over 11 years of playing the title character.

Worldwide box office gross: $1.007 b



Harry Potter and the Chamber of Secrets
Nov. 15, 2002

Length: 2 hours, 41 minutes

Notable: Playing Moaning Myrtle, the ghost of a 16-year-old girl: 36-year-old Shirley Henderson.

Amusing: Russian lawyers threatened to sue Warner Bros., claiming they had based the look of Dobby the elf's face on that of Russian President Vladimir Putin.

Worldwide box office gross: $879.6 m



Harry Potter and the Prisoner of Azkaban
June 4, 2004

Length: 2 hours, 22 minutes

Notable: Richard Harris died in 2002. Michael Gambon took over the role of Dumbledore after Ian McKellen turned it down.

Amusing: At one point during production, filming had to be delayed after graffiti artists tagged the Hogwarts Express steam engine.

Worldwide box office gross: $797.4 m



Harry Potter and the Goblet of Fire
Nov. 18, 2005

Length: 2 hours, 37 minutes

Notable: While filming the underwater scene, Radcliffe picked up an ear infection that kept him from dancing in the Yule Ball scene.

Amusing: Warner Bros. wanted to split the story across two movies, but director Mike Newell said doing so would be "slightly embarrassing."

Worldwide box office gross: $896.7 m



Harry Potter and the Order of the Phoenix
July 11, 2007

Length: 2 hours, 18 minutes

Notable: Originally, Warner Bros. had only the rights to the first four books. The studio had to re-sign all the actors for the fifth installment.

Amusing: Stephen King said Dolores Umbridge is the "greatest make-believe villain to come along since Hannibal Lecter."

Worldwide box office gross: $942.2 m



Harry Potter and the Half-Blood Prince
July 15, 2009

Length: 2 hours, 33 minutes

Notable: During production, Maggie Smith, who played Professor McGonagall, was also undergoing radiation therapy for breast cancer.

Amusing: The studio objected to the dark visuals in this film … until it was nominated for an Academy Award for Best Cinematography.

Worldwide box office gross: $934.5 m



Harry Potter and the Deathly Hallows – Part 1
Nov. 19, 2010

Length: 2 hours, 26 minutes

Notable: Emma Watson, who played Hermione, took one look at her bedroom set and asked decorators to add more books. Which they did.

Amusing: It took Radcliffe 95 takes to play the seven Harries: Several tries as each, but somehow, he nailed Hermione's Harry on the first take.

Worldwide box office gross: $977.0 m



Harry Potter and the Deathly Hallows – Part 2
July 15, 2011

Length: 2 hours, 10 minutes

Notable: Producers wanted Kate Winslet for the small but key role of Helena Ravenclaw. Her agent turned the role down. She was furious.

Amusing: The epilogue at King's Cross station had to be filmed twice because the makeup used to age the actors turned out to be unconvincing.

Worldwide box office gross: $1.34 b

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