Over the edge for the hedge

A video-game classic comes to the theatres.

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This Valentine's Day, a beloved video game mascot came to the big screen, and it was none other than the blue speed demon, Sonic the Hedgehog. One of the most famous video-game characters of all time, he's starred in countless Sega titles and has even had a few of his own tv shows. His fan following is nothing to laugh about either, what with being the hero of all of these beloved games. Now, he's up on the silver screen. However, the initial response to his announcement of the movie stardom was not all positive. Many people expressed doubt, especially after the release of the first trailer for Sonic the Hedgehog. The uncanny design decked out with human teeth, lifeless eyes, and unsettling facial proportions caused an online uproar among long time Sonic

The backlash resulted in a full revamp of the Sonic character design, giving us the adorable little trickster now playing in theatres. His look now is

a more cartoonish one, giving up a realistic style for something more pleasing to the eyes. The movie's release date was even pushed back to compensate for the time needed to correct this "mistake."

Skylar Baley, Junior, who saw the movie on February 15th, thought that the producers did a good job of redesigning Sonic. " I

feel like it would have been really scary if they kept the original design. I'm glad that they changed it," Baley said. However, this doesn't mean that she thinks that the whole movie was deserving of praise. Not all movies can be perfect. " If Jim Carrey had directed the movie, it would have been way better," said Baley. She also mentioned that Jim Carrey's character, Dr. Robotnik, was one of her favorites in the movie. In the movie, his comedic character acts as the antagonist, and engages in goofy hijinx in order to capture Sonic. She was more than happy with the film, and assured that she would "buy it on DVD" when it released to home video.

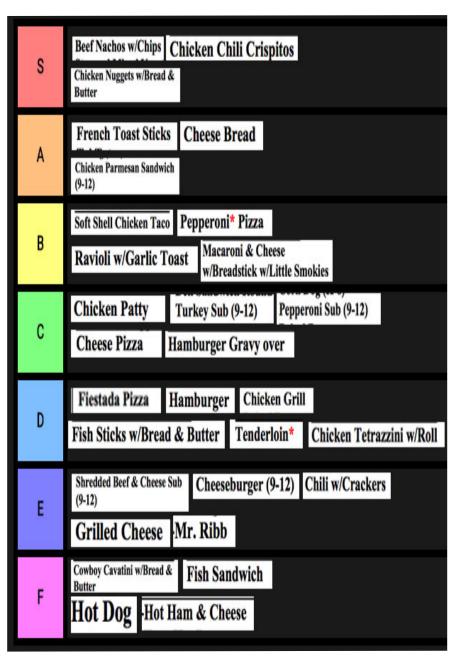
From movie trailer horror to cinema darling, the Sonic the Hedgehog film has gone from being the least anticipated movie of the year to a fan-loved favorite, all thanks to some good old-fashioned constructive criticism.



The logo for the new Sonic the Hedgehog movie, showing off Sonic's signature blue color scheme.

The best of the worst

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