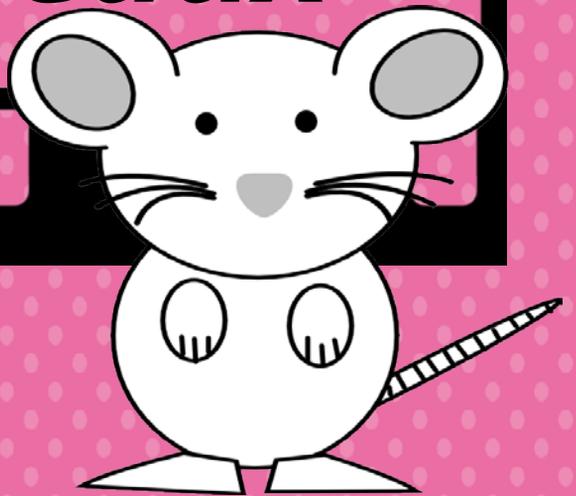


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**For**  
***The Tale of***  
***Despereaux***



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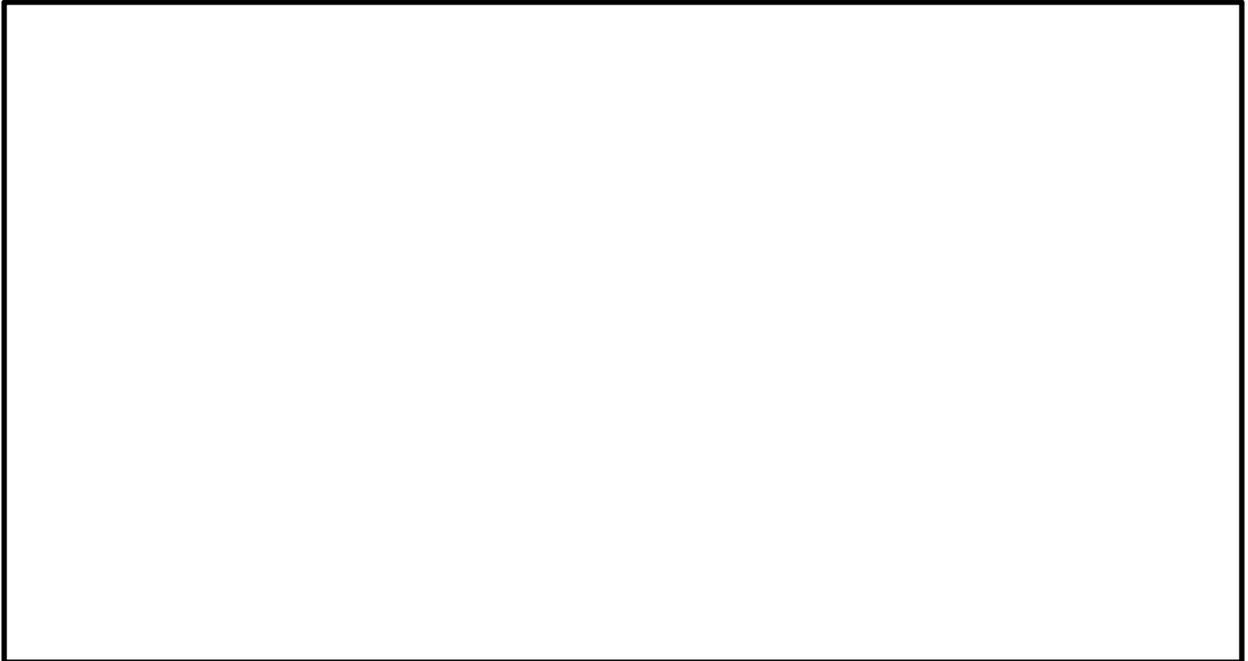


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Movie Notes  
*The Tale of Despereaux*

Who's Who? In the box below, list the main characters and the main things that they are known for doing in the movie.



Take notes on Despereaux's actions in the box below.



## Movie Notes

One of my favorite quotes from the movie:

What happens in the end of the movie:

The theme of this movie:

Other notes:

The Tale of Despereaux

Movie Test

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Date \_\_\_\_\_

**Use the information in this box to help you keep the characters straight in your mind.**

Roscuro – The rat with the earring in his ear that falls in the bowl of soup

Boticelli – The tall rat who seems to be the head of the other rats

1. At the beginning of the movie, we see \_\_\_\_\_ on a ship.
  - a. Roscuro
  - b. Botticelli
  - c. Miggery
  - d. Despereaux
2. In the movie, there is one very special day in the Kingdom of Dor known as \_\_\_\_\_.
  - a. Pea Day
  - b. Royal Day
  - c. Soup Day
  - d. Story Day
3. How is Despereaux's mother portrayed in the movie?
  - a. as mean and hateful
  - b. as brave
  - c. as overly intelligent
  - d. as meek and concerned
4. What happens when Roscuro falls in the queen's soup?
  - a. Roscuro is burned.
  - b. The queen dies.
  - c. The table falls apart.
  - d. The queen is unaware of the rat in her soup.
5. In the movie, what is the dungeon, or place where the rats live, called?
  - a. Dungeonworld
  - b. Ratworld
  - c. The Deep Downs
  - d. The Underworld
6. Which of the following **best** describes Despereaux as a young mouse?
  - a. lazy and slow
  - b. athletic and kind
  - c. adventurous and unique
  - d. nice and giving
7. Despereaux's parents are worried because Despereaux \_\_\_\_\_.
  - a. does not know how to write
  - b. does not like cheese
  - c. is not afraid
  - d. does not like his brothers

8. What does the cook use to help him cook?
- a gigantic spoon
  - magic
  - lots of spices
  - the help from rats
9. When Despereaux reads the book in the library, we see his “thoughts” of \_\_\_\_\_.
- a knight in shining armor fighting
  - a frog kissing a princess
  - a battle between a mouse and a rat
  - his fear of the king
10. Despereaux introduces himself to the princess as \_\_\_\_\_.
- a mouse
  - a friend
  - a knight
  - a gentleman
11. True or false. The Princess wishes it would rain again.
- true
  - false
12. Miggery Sow always wanted to be a \_\_\_\_\_.
- servant girl in the castle
  - friend to the princess
  - princess
  - queen
13. How did Miggery get to the castle?
- She was sold as a servant with a bunch of pigs.
  - She applied for a job as a servant.
  - She was picked up by a knight on his horse.
  - She walked.
14. Despereaux strongly believes in \_\_\_\_\_.
- courage
  - honor
  - decency
  - all of these
15. Who rescues Despereaux from the big cat in the arena?
- the princess
  - Gregory
  - Roscuro
  - Boticelli
16. After Miggery is caught with the princess’ crown, how is she punished?
- She must take food to the jailer in the dungeon.
  - She must scrub all of the floors three times a day.
  - She must feed the pigs.
  - She must iron all of the princess’ clothes.

17. How does Roscuro manipulate Miggery?
  - a. He tells her that a crown awaits her in the dungeon.
  - b. He lies to Miggery and tells her that she should be the princess and the actual princess should be put in the dungeon.
  - c. He forces her to steal a knife from the kitchen.
  - d. He tricks her into believing she is already a princess.
18. Once Despereaux finds the princess in the dungeon, what does she give him to take to her father?
  - a. her necklace
  - b. a lock of her hair
  - c. her crown
  - d. her shoe
19. Why do Despereaux's father and brother most likely think Despereaux is dead when he asks them for help rescuing the princess?
  - a. because they had seen his ghost before
  - b. because he is covered in flour
  - c. because he has a sheet on his head
  - d. because he tells them he is a ghost
20. What happens towards the end of the movie when the cook makes soup again?
  - a. Everyone in the kingdom comes to eat.
  - b. The bowls and spoons start to be collected again.
  - c. It starts raining.
  - d. The princess smells the soup from the dungeon.
21. Who accompanies Despereaux to the dungeon to find and rescue the princess?
  - a. the king
  - b. the cook's magic helper
  - c. Boticelli
  - d. Despereaux's father
22. How does Miggery's father recognize that Miggery is his daughter?
  - a. He remembers her curly hair.
  - b. He sees her birthmark.
  - c. He remembers her voice.
  - d. He sees the scar on her arm.
23. At the end when the princess is tied up and all the rats are cheering, Roscuro is given the chance to end her. Why does Roscuro decide not to do it?
  - a. because he chooses to forgive her
  - b. because he is afraid
  - c. because he wants to allow Despereaux to save her
  - d. because he wants the cat to finish the princess
24. How does Roscuro help save the princess?
  - a. He fights Boticelli with his sword.
  - b. He shines the light toward Boticelli
  - c. He throws rocks at Boticelli and the other rats.
  - d. He uses the cat to trick Boticelli.

25. What happens to Boticelli in the end?
  - a. He is eaten by the cat.
  - b. He is banished from the kingdom by the other rats.
  - c. He disappears into the castle.
  - d. He is killed by Despereaux's sword.
26. Who apologizes at the end of the movie?
  - a. Roscuro
  - b. Miggery's father
  - c. The king
  - d. All of the above
27. What happened to Miggery in the end?
  - a. She became a princess.
  - b. She continued to be a servant for the princess.
  - c. She returned to her farm with her father.
  - d. She founded her own kingdom.
28. What happened to Roscuro?
  - a. He went back to sea.
  - b. He lived in the kitchen with the cook.
  - c. He became a knight.
  - d. He took Boticelli's place as the head rat.
29. True or false. This movie ends happily ever after.
  - a. true
  - b. false
30. Which of the following elements of a fairy tale does the movie include?
  - a. magic
  - b. good versus evil
  - c. love
  - d. all of these

# Movie Test Answer Key

1. a
2. c
3. d
4. b
5. b
6. c
7. c
8. b
9. a
10. d
11. a
12. c
13. a
14. d
15. c
16. a
17. b
18. a
19. b
20. c
21. b
22. b
23. a
24. b
25. a
26. d
27. c
28. a
29. a
30. d

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