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## Film Review: Game Night

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*Game Night* is a fantastic fast paced black comedy that tells the story of Max (Jason Bateman) and his wife Annie (Rachel McAdams), a competitive couple on a mission to finally beat Brooks, Max's older brother (Kyle Chandler) during a high stakes murder mystery.

Accompanying them is another competitive couple, Kevin (Lamorne Morris) and Michelle (Kylie Bunbury) as well as Ryan (Billy Magnussen), a more jack the lad type character and his partner for the night, Sarah (Sharon Horgan).

Directed by John Francis Daley and Jonathan Goldstein, the team behind *Horrible Bosses* and its' sequel, the film has the same sort of vibe and feel.

It starts of like your average sort of game night, until things start to get a bit too real. The characters are unsure what is part of the game and what is part of reality and can trust nobody but themselves.

They also have to deal with Gary (Jesse Plemons), the police officer neighbour of Max and Annie who no longer gets invited to game night and is ostracised by the group after his wife Debbie leaves him. "Debbie was our friend", Max explains: "Gary was just her weird husband."

The film is fast and high octane as Max deals with his sibling rivalry and is forced to explain to Annie about whether or not he wants a family. Kevin and Michelle's relationship is tested when the latter admits she slept with a celebrity (on a break, Ross Geller) style, whilst Ryan and Sarah, initially work colleagues grow closer together as the plot progresses.

The humour is superb. Aided by ingenious cameos from Jeffrey Wright and Chelsea Peretti, it is highbrow, low-brow, slapstick and everything in between.

Everything rushes along at high octane speeds as the shady past of one of the characters catches up with him. There's plenty of actions too, involving cars, planes and just your basic fist fights.

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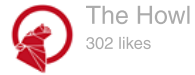


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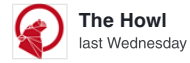
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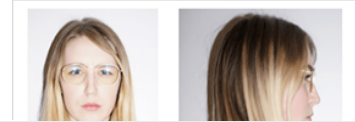
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