

# The Host or Twilight?

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As the years went by, the famous Twilight writer Stephanie Meyer has another book being filmed—The Host. Is the movie better than the book or is it even better than Twilight?

This Sci-fi movie is set in the period of time when the Earth was colonized by an alien race. Mankind's minds had been wiped out forcefully since their body acted as storage for Souls (alien spirits) as an interstellar. Most humans surrendered and had been established. However, when Soul Wanderer, known as Wanderer was being implanted in Earth Melanie's body, everything changed. Earth Melanie's mind was too stubborn to back down, further persuade, or touched Wanderer's soft spot to let her switch side and help man for survival. And that's when Wanderer fell in love with humans and Earth.

In terms of the plot, the story seems very appealing in both movie and book. However, there is a huge contrast between both forms. In the book, Meyer wrote every single detail to make it more gripping hence build up the storyline. It was very well-written since the build-up was realistic in terms of humanity and the pace of the twists is easy to follow.

But it's another feeling in the movie.

Everything happened in a snap that made the plot and feelings not as impressive to the audience. In particular, the romance line which describes Wanderer and Ian finally fell in love in the book after all the obstacles. In the novel, it's great, touching and romantic. In the movie? Don't get me started! It's so cheesy that it's like ordinary high-schoolers but not life-or-death

matter. Plus, it makes everything or every obstacle sound too easy to solve. Personally, I do not think the pacing and plot is doing a great job in the novel-based movie.

Apart from the plot, I do appreciate the characters as well as acting. In my point of view, I think Wanderer in the film is better than the one in the book. The plot is about a girl helping her opposite race which is such a deal but Wanderer in the book is too young and immature for her to handle. Nevertheless, the movie portrays Wanderer in such a mature way and the story is all about describing a girl from being immature to mature and understanding. Saoirse Ronan who acted as Melanie Wanderer was doing a phenomenal job in the movie. She brought the two characters to life and casted a huge contrast. She made two different polar opposites to act in one and portrayed their images in front of the audiences in such a great success.

However, I can't say The Host is better than Twilight, no matter it's the book or the movie. Comparing both movies, the effects in The Host are definitely not as good as those in The Twilight Saga. I am not saying it's bad but Twilight is hard to beat. When it comes to novels, I feel like it's not the best book among all the books of the similar genre since the forbidden love in Twilight comes to life a lot more than the struggles of Wanderer in The Host.

In short, I think The Host is a good movie despite some minor weaknesses in the plot. But if you do not mind the cheesy love or the alien fantasies, I highly recommend you watch it.