



Penguins of Madagascar

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My 8 year-old granddaughter, Cleo, who loved the last Penguin Madagascar film, wanted nothing to do with this recent release. She stayed at home and I took her younger sister, Goosey Lucy.

As it turns out, Cleo was right on. However, Goosey Lucy loved it.

Throughout the film, enhanced with voices belonging to Benedict Cumberbatch (an ideal name for someone doing a cartoon voice over) and John Malkovich, I had the uncomfortable feeling that the writers had a dartboard filled with notes of funny scenes and wherever the dart landed, that was the scene they chose to write. However, there was no rhyme or reason for them to jump from one scene to the other without any reference or connection to the scene before.

So, what we have is a collection of vignettes, some funny others bland.

Unfortunately, the poor penguins had to bear the burden of appearing in many more, bland than funny sequences. The adults accompanying the kids laughed at the insider jokes while the kids shrieked at everything....as kids do.

Basically, it was a rehash of every other cartoon you have seen over the years except that this one is in 3D.

Goosey Lucy just turned 5 the other day and if your child or grandchild is that age or younger, they'll have a great time.

The bottom line is: If you're old enough to read this review, you won't like it.

2 Bagels out of 4