

## **Daniel Radcliffe, of "Harry Potter" and The Half-Blood Prince Likens Film to 1996's "Trainspotting"**

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*Daniel Radcliffe, Star of 'Harry Potter and The Half-Blood Prince' likens sixth film to 1996 heroin movie "Trainspotting"*

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DANA POINT, CALIFORNIA— In an interview with Empire magazine, actor Daniel Radcliffe and star of the latest Harry Potter installment, "Harry Potter and the Half-Blood Prince," makes an unusual comparison regarding the latest film content. "...there are some drug-parallels," says Radcliffe. "We have a couple of what David Yates, the director, calls our 'Trainspotting moments.' That's two films I never thought would be mentioned in the same breath."

"Trainspotting" was one of the most popular and controversial British films in the mid-1990s that depicted the destructive appetite of heroin junkies without glamorizing drug-use. Harry Potter and the Half-blood Prince is expected to be the darkest yet of the Potter series, in part because the nature of the material dictates it but also because the cast is maturing and tackling more adult themes. This appears to be true on and off the set given recent headlines depicting a 12-hour "booze-fest" as cast members celebrated the wrap of Harry Potter and the Half-Blood Prince. Among the 200 revelers at London's Harry's Bar were Emma Watson (Hermione), 18, and Rupert Grint (Ron), 19. Daniel Radcliffe (Harry), 19, was absent.

Hollywood is no stranger to tackling or creating controversial headlines. Alcohol and drug abuse are consistent themes that thread through actors' lives in and out of character, regardless of age. Research shows that the younger a person is when they start drinking or using, the greater likelihood he or she will end up fighting alcoholism or drug addiction. Odds escalate for teenagers who begin experimenting under the age of 15. What typically begins out of curiosity all too often ends up with devastating results. The drug parallels referenced in Harry Potter and the Half-Blood Prince carry very real consequences for young people who may be influenced to act on them.

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