

How and why was Phil trapped?

Phil, who is a selfish weather forecaster was sent to report at the Groundhog day festival in Punxsutawney but after he finished his work he decided to quit and returned to his home after that. Unfortunately, the blizzard had cut the road off and the telephone network too so he has to turned back to hotel but when he wakes up, he's on the same day, the Groundhog day.

The reason he was trapped is that he is a self-centered person who always thinking only himself and cares no one so he was trapped in a loop of the same day to make him realize the meaning of existence and make him start to care about other people.

Is Groundhog Day a religious movie? Explain your answer.

I think that Groundhog Day is not a religious movie because the movie it self want to tell the viewer that there's no such thing as a purpose of living a life. You can see from the movie that Phil had done everything that he thinks that a man should do during a life time such as wining the ice inscription prize or even having sex with who he wants but he can't get out of the Groundhog day but when he starts to appreciate what he already had and start not to think about future goals, he can't get out.

How would you characterize the phases that Phil goes through? What does he learn as a result of his experience?

Phil at first try to take the advantage of the trapped situation by doing everything he would like to do before but cannot do such as driving recklessly, even rape a woman, commit a suicide but nothing has change the time reset itself and repeated everyday so he

try to work for others and do charity work and it does really work. He can get out of the trap.

How is Phil's journey related to Existentialism?

Phil's journey is related to existentialism in a way that at first he does everything he wants because he doesn't have to be responsible for it because time will reset itself every day. He starts to get bored and stop doing that but after he starts to only do what he can be responsible for, which is the same as the theory of existentialism.

What would you do if you were trapped in a "Groundhog Day"?

If I were trapped like Phil, I would do everything that I want even though some of them would be insane but after I satisfy to a point that I want and after that I would try to make some decision in several ways to see the consequences so that I could use some of them in the real world and in the end I would do the charity work.

What does your answer to the previous question say about your beliefs about the meaning of life?

My answer to the previous question shows that every action that I do always has consequences and it would be no meaning if I have no responsibility for it so the meaning of life is depending on my actions that I can be responsible for.