

# Groundhog Day Questions

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## **How and why was Phil trapped?**

Phil is a news reporter. There was groundhog festival in Punxsutawney and he was there too to do some news report. He finished his job like very jobs in the past but because of the storm he had to stay for another night. In the morning he worked up and realized that it was the same day as yesterday. Every situation during the day was all the same. Those situations repeated every day.

## **Is Groundhog Day a religious movie? Explain your answer.**

I think this is not actually a movie with religion concept during the story but some parts of the story can be related to the movie. In our real life, everybody knows that we were born, getting old, probably sick, then finally everyone has to die. Not everyone that accepted those things in our life. They might avoid of getting older or dying at first but at last they have to accept what will happen to them. In the movie, Phil stuck in Groundhog Day for a long period until he decided to accept things around him. In those days he had a chance to do many things, also fixed some conflicts. Real life also that gives us an opportunity to do things to fix our problem we have made. We might do some bad things but there always an opportunity for us to do some good things. Related to Buddhism, it teaches us to accepted things and get rid of our greed. If we can do it, we might also get rid of our affliction. Like Phil that at last can get out of Groundhog Day.

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

He represented most of human nature. He tried to escape from the town but eventually he can't. He did some bad things that we want without any fear that anyone will knew about things he did. Of course, after he did everything he wants he started to realize that the best way to keep on living his live is to accepted things and to be a noble man. He learnt some new skill to help people out such as ice carving. He started to accepted thing that happen in the last day and eventually it leads him to the way out.

## **How is Phil's journey related to Existentialism?**

Existentialism believes that human can be a better man by themselves. With the results of everything they did will eventually change them in the future. Phil also started badly but eventually changed himself in the end without anyone advice.

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

I think I will do the same. Do everything that I want to do even though it is bad to do. I know now that if it were me replacing Phil in the movie. The result might remain the same as the movie. I would did the same thing.

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

Noble person will finally survive in the real world whiles the bad will eventually defeats.