## Slumdog Millionaire Director: Danny Boyle 2008 (120')



Jamal Malik, an 18 year-old orphan from the slums of Mumbai, is just one question away from winning a staggering 20 million rupees on India's 'Who Wants To Be A Millionaire?'. Arrested on suspicion of cheating, he tells the police the incredible story of his life on the streets, and of the girl he loved and lost.

The spirit of Dickens lights up Danny Boyle's Slumdog Millionaire, an antic, and romantic, fable about the joys and nightmares of childhood, about a boy's search for love, and about a teeming, terrifying city on the rise. The Independent

This is a breathless, exciting story, heartbreaking and exhilarating at the same time, about a Mumbai orphan who rises from rags to riches on the strength of his lively intelligence. Chicago Sun-Times

## **Vocabulary and expressions:**

**Chai wallah**: Name given to someone in India whose job is to make and give tea to customers

**A runt:** In a group of animals the one smaller and weaker than the others; used derogatively to/about a person

Slumdog: Derogatory name given to someone from the slums of a city

To nip out: To go out briefly; to pop out

Will you nip out and get me something to eat?

Piss off: Vulgar/offensive term used to tell someone to "go away"

**Cheeky little bugger:** Vulgar expression aimed at someone who has been disrespectful

**Bark/To bark:** The short loud sound a dog makes

Well, well. The slumdog barks

To be mixed up with/in something: To be involved with/in something that



usually has negative consequences

Money and women ... It looks like you're mixed up with both

Beat it!: To tell someone to go away in a negative way. Also Get lost!

A cheat: Someone who tries to get an advantage or win something by acting

unfairly

**To tune in:** To watch a transmission on television or listen to a radio broadcast *An estimated 9 million people will tune in tonight* 

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