**Not-a-Mindboggler**

**Spoiler Alert!**

We are going to spoil some memorable movies which are famed for their surprise endings. But don’t worry. Research has shown that rather than ruining our enjoyment, spoilers can actually make a story even more enticing. Complete the crossword puzzle and watch the movies mentioned to see for yourself if the research findings are true.

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• In *The Sixth Sense*, Malcolm Crowe is a psychologist counselling a child who claims he can see (1) people. At first, he questions his patient’s sanity, but it turns out that Crowe himself is a (2) the whole time.

• In *The Shawshank Redemption*, Andy Dufresne is wrongfully sentenced to life in prison, where the seemingly religious warden tells him that salvation lies within the (3) . His words (4) the ending, as this is where Dufresne hides a rock hammer for his escape plan.

• Quentin Tarantino concocts an (5) history in *Inglourious Basterds*. The story revolves around an attempt to (6) Adolf Hitler in 1944, the outcome of which is entirely different from what we learnt from history classes.

• Akira Kurosawa’s *Rashomon* uses (7) narrators to expose flaws in human (8) . All main characters are revealed to have told lies to cover up their shame.

• Good does not always triumph. In Woody Allen’s *Match Point*, the unfaithful protagonist commits (9) and murders but manages to walk (10) .

• At the end of the 1997 Spanish film *Open Your Eyes*, the protagonist realises that he has been living in a lucid (11) for 150 years. To wake up, he has to throw himself off the \_\_\_\_(12)\_\_\_\_\_ of a building.

Please send your entry by fax (2521 8772) or email (csbolrs@csb.gov.hk) to the Editorial Board of *Word Power* by **29 August 2024**. Watch out for our coming issue to see if you get all the answers right, and better still, if you are one of the lucky ten to win a prize. The Editorial Board will have the final say on the answers.

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Entry Form

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**Answers:**

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