

## Short Review: “Back to the Future” (1985) by Dr. John L. Flynn



**Back to the Future** (1985). Universal Pictures, color, 111 min. Director: Robert Zemeckis. Writers: Zemeckis and Bob Gale. Producers: Neil Canton and Bob Gale. Cast: Michael J. Fox, Christopher Lloyd, Lea Thompson and Claudia Wells. Marty McFly (Fox) is a typical 1985 American teenager whose only adult friend is a mad scientist named Doc Brown (Lloyd). Naturally, he takes a trip in Doc’s time-traveling DeLorean car, finds himself in 1955 and winds up having to play Cupid for his parents, so that he could exist. And thanks to Marty’s help, his geeky father, who reads sci-fi, actually gets a date to the prom! Ultimately, Marty has to harness lightning to get back to the future to find his girl friend (Wells), and restore order to the universe. This comedy was deservedly well-received by everyone, one of the few comic SF films that succeeded big time due to its fast pace, good acting and clever script. See “Back to the Future II” (1989) and “Back to the Future III” (1990).

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