

YESTERDAY

MOVIES & LANGUAGES

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"YESTERDAY"

ABOUT THE MOVIE

DIRECTOR	Danny Boyle
YEAR/COUNTRY	2019 / GB, RU, CHI
DURATION	116 Min.
LANGUAGE	English with English subtitles
GENRE	Romantic Comedy
ACTORS	Himesh Patel, Lily James, Ed Sheeran, Kate McKinnon

PLOT

Jack Malik is a struggling singer-songwriter in an English seaside town whose dreams of fame are rapidly fading, despite the fierce devotion and support of his childhood best friend, Ellie. After a freak bus accident during a mysterious global blackout, Jack wakes up to discover that he's the only person on Earth who can remember the Beatles.

LANGUAGE

In comparison to other films in original language that we have screened at the Film Festival, today's film 'Yesterday' is probably easier to understand and deal with for the viewer. This may be due to the plot which is relatively simple, the subject matter which we all know and the accent/pronunciation of the actors, which is clear and generally straight forward for the listener.

VOCABULARY

Out on your ear: removed from the premises	You are having me on: you are kidding me
Dozy Karen: not a very clever person. In this case referring to a woman	That figures: that makes sense
Make it quick: do it quickly	A bunch of new songs: a lot of new songs
Innit: isn't it	From the top: from the beginning
Valued cog in a well-oiled machine: a valued part of a successful team	The awful truth: the hard truth, difficult to accept
Like clockwork: works perfectly	Retail trade: shops open to the public
You are fired: when you lose your job against your will	Jumbo boxes: large boxes
World class moron: a complete idiot	Singing wholesaler: a person or commercial enterprise that deals directly with shops and outlets but not the public. In the context of the film, the person is also a singer
Catch you later: see you later	Jumbo sized fairy liquid: large sized washing liquid
Last gig: last concert	Support act: first act to play at a concert
Long winding road: song by the Beatles	Feeling perky about it: feeling good with nervous energy
To get cocky: to be over confident	Y2K: the millennium computer bug
A fan letter: letters received by artists from their fans	New roadie: new member of staff with the band
Standing ovation: everybody on their feet to applaud the artist	Bottom drawer: best attempt at something



Run over by a bus: shocking news which hits you really hard	Get a bit grim: beginning to be quite pessimistic
Got sacked: same as 'you are fired'. You lose your work position against your will	Beach shack: hut on a beach
Bit sappy: tries to stir emotions but comes across as overkill	Bonny England: pretty England
Darn his socks: a technique for repairing holes in socks	Off putting: remove desire
One night stand: see a person for one night only	Super star rights: generally, very successful people have more access to situations than the general population
Make your move: decision to intervene strategically	Word got out: people started to hear about something
Fun chat column: refers to a regular slot that a writer has in a newspaper or magazine. In this case, fun and lighthearted	Break a leg: give it your best go
Mind bending: beyond belief	Slip away: leave without being noticed
Ginger geezer: guy with ginger hair	A blast: a really good time

