

Foreign Language Film Festival 2006-2007

You've Got Mail

About the movie (subtitled version)

DIRECTOR	Nora Ephron
YEAR / COUNTRY	1998 USA
GENRE	Comedy/Romance
ACTORS	Tom Hanks, Meg Ryan



PLOT

Imagine that someone you meet on the street may already be the love of your life. This is more or less what happens in "You've Got Mail", only it's not on the street, it's over the internet. Joe Fox, the owner of a large bookstore chain starts putting the owner of a small bookstore, Kathleen Kelly, out of business. Meanwhile they have been corresponding over the internet, through a chat room, without knowing who either of them are. They can't stand each other face to face but over the internet they are very attracted. He finds out who she is but she doesn't know. He starts to like her more but she still hates "him" for what he has done to her business. Fox falls in love and has to resolve this confused and complicated situation.

LANGUAGE

Standard American English with traditional slang.

VOCABULARY

Black tie: formal ceremony, suits or tuxedos are required	Sushi: Japanese dish consisting of raw fish and rice
Bet your bottom dollar: you can be sure of the outcome	Beeps: problems
Fuzzy: confused, unclear	Nuts: crazy, deranged, irrational
Fired: to be dismissed from a position	Crack house: a place where "crack" cocaine is sold or used
In a nutshell: in a very brief statement	I'm out of here: I'm leaving this situation
Good riddance: to be happy that something or someone is no longer around	To sink in: to understand clearly
Bottom line: the most important thing to consider	It's pissing me off: I'm becoming very angry