

Question: Out of all of the feature-length theatrical films that John Carpenter directed before 2015, which has the longest running time?

Previous Method

First, I need to list all John Carpenter's feature films before 2015. Let me start by searching for his filmography up to 2015.

Q. John Carpenter filmography before 2015

Let's identify the running time of The Thing first.

Q. Running time of The Thing (1982) John Carpenter

Let's search for the longest film directly ...

Q. Longest John Carpenter film before 2015

Q. John Carpenter's Elvis film runtime

... (Sequential Search)

Q. Longest John Carpenter film before 2015 (Repeated)

Based on the search results, the longest film is likely "Elvis". (X)

Ours

First, I'll identify his feature films released before 2015, then check their running times to find the longest one (plan). I'll start by searching for a list of John Carpenter's feature films before 2015 (search).

Q. John Carpenter's feature films before 2015

Q. List of John Carpenter movies released before 2015

Now that I have a list of John Carpenter's feature films before 2015, the next step is to determine the running time of each film and identify the longest one (plan). I'll search for the running times of these films (search).

Q. Running time of John Carpenter's Dark Star

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(Parallel search for 12 films)

Q. Running time of Ghosts of Mars (2001)

Now that I have the running times of all the films, I can compare them to find the longest one (plan). Let's list them out again for clarity: (...) From this list, the longest running time is 115 minutes for Starman (1984). (O)