

Title: Hugo

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Storyline: In 1931 Paris, 12-year-old Hugo Cabret (Asa Butterfield) lives with his widowed, clockmaker father (Jude Law), who also works at a museum. Mr. Cabret finds a broken automaton - a mechanical man designed to write with a pen - at the museum. He and Hugo try to repair it, with Mr. Cabret documenting the automaton in a notebook. When his father dies, Hugo goes to live with his resentful, alcoholic uncle, Claude (Ray Winstone), and is forced to maintain the clocks at the Gare Montparnasse railway station. When Claude goes missing for several days, Hugo continues maintaining the clocks, fearing that vindictive Station Inspector Gustave Dasté (Sacha Baron Cohen) will send him away as an orphan if Claude's absence is discovered. Hugo attempts to repair the automaton with stolen parts, believing it contains a message from his father, but the machine requires a heart-shaped key that his father could not make before his death.

Hugo is caught stealing from a toy store. The owner, Georges (Ben Kingsley), looks through Hugo's father's notebook, takes it from Hugo, and threatens to destroy it. Georges' goddaughter, Isabelle (Chloë Grace Moretz), offers to help Hugo get the notebook back. As their friendship grows, he is astonished when Isabelle inadvertently reveals she wears the missing key as a necklace given to her by Georges. He shows her the automaton, and when started now the machine draws out a scene that Hugo recognizes from his father's description of the film *A Trip to the Moon*. Isabelle identifies the signature, that of a "Georges Méliès", as her godfather. She sneaks Hugo into her home, where they find a hidden cache of more imaginative drawings of Méliès, but are caught by Georges, who banishes Hugo from his home.

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Actors: Ben Kingsley, Sacha Baron Cohen, Asa Butterfield, Chloë Grace Moretz, Ray Winstone

