

# HERE IS AN EXAMPLE OF A MOVIE SUMMARY THAT IS TOO LONG:

The Museum of Natural History in New York City is the setting for this laugh-out-loud comedy starring America's favorite funnyman Ben Stiller. Stiller stars as Larry Daley, an unemployed, don-on-his-luck divorced dad. Needing to pay the bills, Larry takes a job as night watchman at the museum. On his first nightshift, Larry discovers that this is not an ordinary job or museum.

As Larry strolls the hallways, he is shocked to see the exhibits come to life. The giant dinosaur skeleton at the museum's entrance steps off its pedestal and runs the hallways, chasing Larry and wreaking havoc. A statue of President Teddy Roosevelt (played to perfection by comic legend Robin Williams) and his horse comes to life, as does a whole army of miniature Roman soldiers and American cowboys. Larry can't believe his eyes or who he is bumping into, including Christopher Columbus (who Larry is slow to recognize), Attila the Hun, and Sacagawea.

Larry soon learns that an Egyptian artifact with magical powers is responsible for bringing all the museum's inhabitants to life—but only between sundown and sunrise, when the museum is closed. Three other night watchmen, played by the veteran actors Dick Van Dyke, Mickey Rooney, and Bill Cobbs, know about the artifact's special powers. This trio of elderly guards attempts to steal the artifact from the museum and it's up to Larry and his museum "friends" to stop them. If they fail, all of the animals and exhibits will never come to life again.

Directed by Shawn Levy and based on the children's book by Milan Trenc, this film delivers action and laughs that will appeal to moviegoers of any age.

