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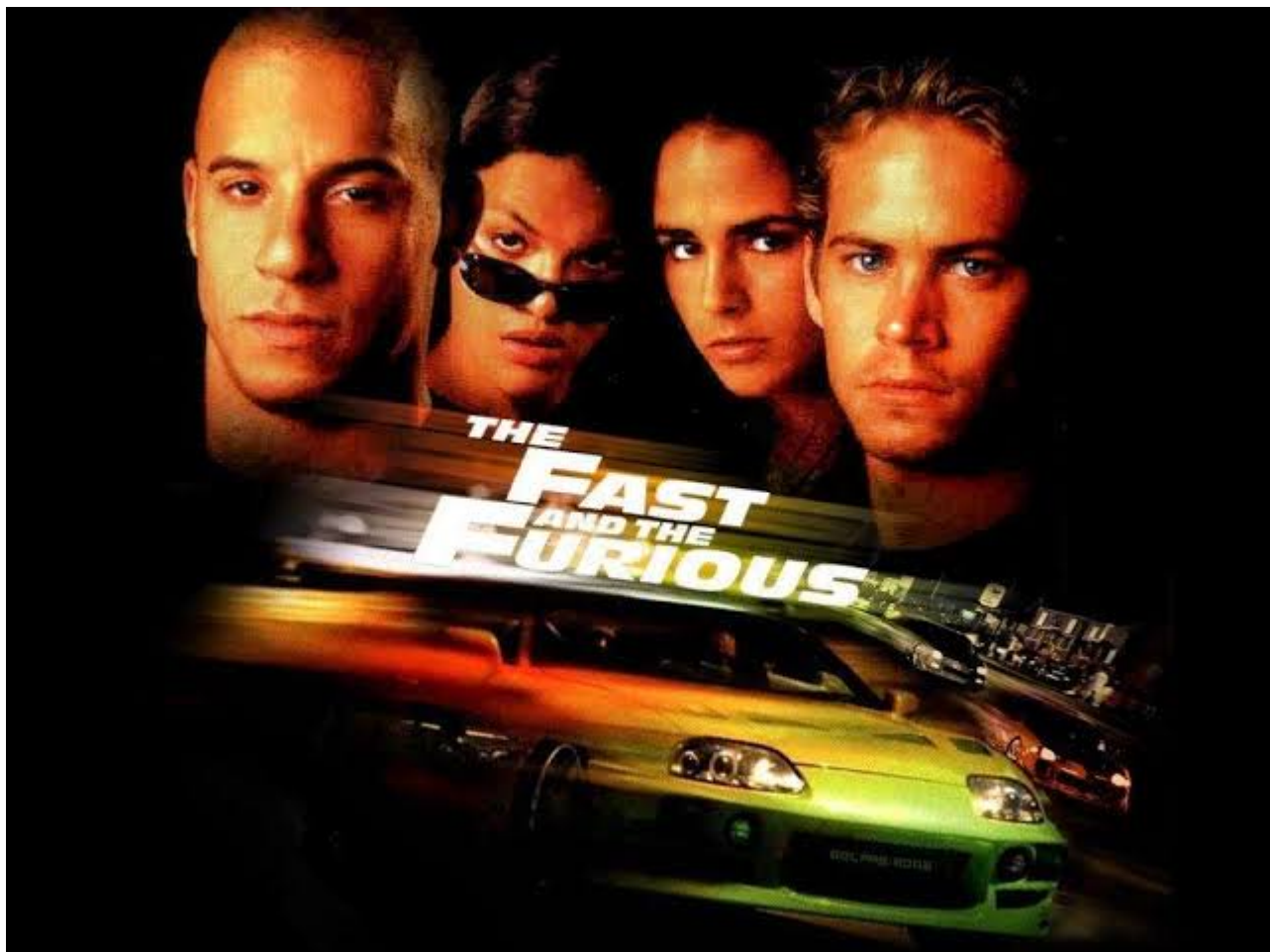


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The Fast and the Furious is a 2001 action film directed by Rob Cohen and starring Vin Diesel, Michelle Rodriguez, Jordana Brewster, and Paul Walker. The Fast and the Furious is first film in the The Fast and the Furious franchise, distributed by Universal Pictures.



The film was released June 22, 2001 and grossed \$207.3 million. In 2003, The Fast and the Furious was followed by the sequel 2 Fast 2 Furious.

Brian O'Conner is an undercover Los Angeles cop who aspires to become a detective.



When he is tasked to stop hijackers led by Dominic Toretto from stealing expensive electronics equipment off of trucks, Brian must choose between his obligation to the LAP and his friendship with Toretto after he becomes good friends with his family.

The film opens at a dockyard where a container is loaded onto the trailer of a semi-truck. The truck then departs the dockyard and one of the dock workers makes a phone call to an anonymous party on the other end, informing them on how to identify the truck.



After sunset, the truck is traveling down a highway when three identical black Honda Civic Coupes with green neon approach it rapidly from behind. As they get close to the truck, they go in an aggressive formation, one in front, one on the right and the third taking up the left.

The leading Civic's sunroof opens and a hijacker with a motocross helmet emerges with a modified crossbow rigged with a grappling wire.



The next day, Brian O'Conner is in the parking lot of Dodger Stadium with his Mitsubishi Eclipse performing a test run.

He manages to run a test quarter-mile in which he reaches a maximum speed of 140mph and subsequently nearly loses control of his vehicle. Frustrated, he departs the stadium.

Following his trial run, he visits Toretto's Market & Cafe in his work truck, a Ford F-150 SVT Lightning, and takes a seat at the counter inside and orders a tuna fish sandwich.



At Race Wars, Brian arrives with the team already there. After being there only a short time, he finds Jesse about to race Tran for pink slips, despite Jesse's Volkswagen Jetta being severely outmatched by Tran's Honda S2000.



Jesse engages Tran anyway, with his amateur status becoming evident when he engages his nitrous system prematurely. Thinking he has the lead he let his guard down, when Johnny engages his nitrous and viciously pulls past Jesse for the win.



The team takes up the same formation as in the beginning of the film, only this time after Vince leaps onto the truck, he is met with multiple shotgun blasts in his direction by the truck driver.

The team tries to improvise a rescue but to no avail and after multiple attempts, Vince winds up tangled in his own grappling wire on the side of the truck pinned against an exhaust pipe.



Following the end credits, a bright sun is shining over a bright blue ocean. Dominic is shown in Baja,Mexico driving a 1970 Chevrolet Chevelle SS, repeating the famous line from earlier in the movie.I live my life a quarter mile at a time. For those ten seconds or less, I'm free.

Dominic then drives into the sunset.



An alternate ending, named "More than Furious" was released on the Blu-Ray bundle for all five movies from 'The Fast and the Furious' to Fast Five.

In the ending, Brian had resigned from the LAPD, then Tanner drops him off at the empty house in Echo Park. Brian goes to the garage to see Mia packing up, informing him that she's moving away. Brian then tells her about his resignation from LAPD and that he wants another chance.

Mia says it won't be that easy, to which Brian remarks: "I've got time."



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