

Howard Hughes: Reading

In 1945 he crashed his Lockheed P-38 fighter plane in a blaze of fire when its fuel tanks exploded. The story of his survival, the crash but sustained many serious injuries. The story of his successful man, he was always plagued by inner demons. The story of his lowly, was depicted in the 2004 film by Martin Scorsese called *The Aviator*. Leonardo DiCaprio played the complicated man in a searching, ambitious performance that brings Hughes and his daring, dangerous deeds to life for a new generation.

4 Completing the sentences Read and complete the sentences with the correct form of the words or phrases. Use the definitions to help you.

1. They cannot agree on how to decorate their home: she wants a traditional look, while he prefers a more _____ style.
2. The forest is a _____ of color in the fall.
3. Of all the people he lost in the accident, the death of his little brother _____ him the most.
4. People travel around the world _____ unique experiences!
5. This furniture is not as easy to _____ as the instructions suggest.
6. It took ten years of hard work before the actor _____ in the movie industry.
7. Built about 2,500 years ago, this monument is an amazing _____ of architecture.
8. What percentage of students _____ of high school every year?
9. The movie was a huge _____ hit.
10. All those sleepless days and nights finally _____ him – he fell asleep behind the wheel and was in a car accident.
11. She has been _____ by ill health all her life.
12. Given a choice between a vacation in Hawaii or Greece, I would choose _____.

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notable
slim
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