



# ‘Having children has made me much nicer!’

**You play a script writer in your new film *The Rewrite*. What research did you do for the role?**

I’ve never done any research for a role! But I liked the script, and I’ve pretty much hated every other film I’ve ever made!

**You’d already worked with writer Marc Lawrence on *Did You***

**Hear About *The Morgans*? [co-starring Sarah Jessica Parker], hadn’t you?**

Yes, and this new one came about because he just won’t lay off! I said I didn’t want to do any more films, but he wrote it anyway – and it did touch me. I’m easily

touched now I have children [Hugh has three children – a two-year-old son and three-year-old daughter with Tinglan Hong, and

a second two-year-old son with Swedish TV producer Anna Eberstein]; I’m much nicer. I found the script heartwarming, so I thought I’d do it.

**What did you enjoy most about filming?**

I really enjoyed working with Marisa Tomei, who is a brilliant actress. Then again, ‘enjoy’ is never the right word for me. When I saw the film at previews in America, I enjoyed the fact that audiences liked it – that’s always a relief. They test the films and have a focus group at the end, and no one realises I’m sitting behind them in a baseball hat! Someone asks them if they like Hugh Grant and they say: ‘No, not much’, and I’m behind them!

**What’s next for you?**

I am doing another film next spring. It’s a secret at the moment, but it’s pretty classy.

The actor’s softening in his old age

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Hugh with ex Anna Eberstein

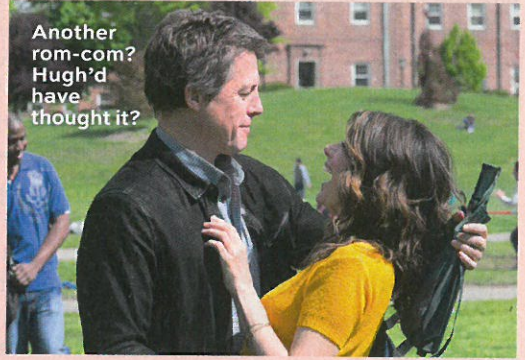
## REVIEW

### The Rewrite

Fifteen years ago, screenwriter Keith Michaels, played by Hugh Grant, was at the top of his game. He had just won a Golden Globe award for Best Screenplay, was happily married and had a son who looked up to him. Fast-forward to the present day and Michaels is

divorced, broke and can’t get hired, so he decides to take a job teaching screenwriting at a university. That’s where he meets Holly (played by Marisa Tomei), a single mother working two jobs to fund her university studies, and the pair connect over their need for a second chance at happiness.

STAR RATING ★ ★ ★ ★ ★



Another rom-com? Hugh’d have thought it?