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THE FILM :

Directed by : Rawson Marshall Thurber
Written by : Ike Barinholtz, and David Stassen
Produced by : Michael Fottrell, Peter Principato, Scott Stuber, Paul Young
Starring : Kevin Hart, Dwayne Johnson, Amy Ryan, Danielle Nicolet ,Thomas Kretschmann, Aaron Paul
Release dates : June 10, 2016 (Regency Village Theater), June 17, 2016 (United States), August 25, 2016 (France)
Running time : 107 minutes
Distributed by : Warner Bros. Pictures, New Line Cinema, Universal Pictures

THE STORY :

In 1996, extremely popular student and star athlete Calvin 'Golden Jet' Joyner (Kevin Hart) is being honored at his high school's senior pep rally. His obese classmate Robbie Wheirdicht is being bullied by a student named Trevor (Dwayne Johnson) while showering in the boys' locker room. Robbie is thrown into the gym naked by Trevor and his friends just as Calvin is receiving his award. Calvin takes off his varsity jacket and gives it to Robbie, who covers himself up, thanks Calvin, and runs away in embarrassment.

Twenty years later, Calvin is married to his long term girlfriend Maggie Johnson (Danielle Nicolet) and works as an accountant. He is dissatisfied with his career, while Maggie is thriving as a partner at her law firm. At work, Calvin receives a friend request on Facebook from a man named Bob Stone, who reveals that he is Robbie and requests that they meet at a bar. Calvin is shocked to see that Robbie has transformed into a tall, muscular, confident man.

As Bob drops Calvin off at his house, he asks Calvin to review a few accounting records, saying he has payroll issues. Calvin deciphers the records as multi-million dollar transactions from an auction, with the final payment set to be made the following day. The next morning, a group of CIA agents led by Pamela 'Pam' Harris (Amy Ryan) arrive at Calvin's house in search of Bob, who escapes after erasing all evidence of his presence....

OUR REVIEW :

'Central Intelligence' is Johnson and Hart´s first pairing and this buddy action-comedy hits all the usual marks. 'Central Intelligence' makes a sly reference to itself as Jason Bourne in jorts, but it´s really more like Xtreme Laurel and Hardy. Honestly, the film is impossible to fully dislike. The best bits in the movie are the stupidests.

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