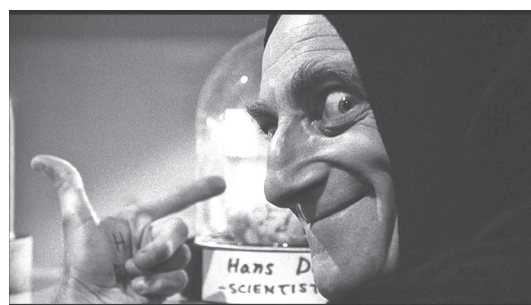
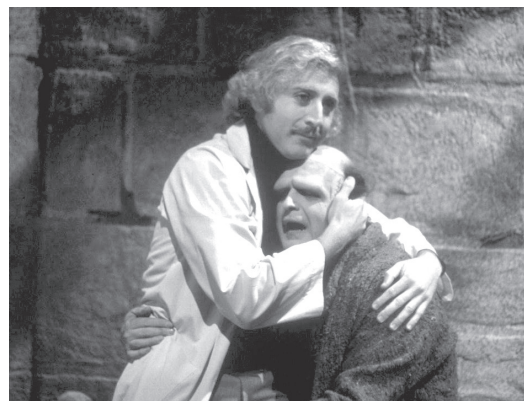


Young Frankenstein

1 Use these quotes from *Young Frankenstein* as debate topics.

- Dr. Frankenstein: If science teaches us anything, it teaches us to accept our failures, as well as our successes, with quiet dignity and grace.
 - The Monster: In my loneliness, I decided that if I could not inspire love, which is my deepest hope, I would instead cause fear.
1. Do you share the opinion that science “teaches us to accept our failures, as well as our successes”? Have you ever experienced that personally? If so, how?
 2. The Monster says, “In my loneliness, I decided that if I could not inspire love, which is my deepest hope, I would instead cause fear.” Do you think that frightening others may be a way to attract attention by someone who is left alone or who is not loved?



- Included among the “1001 Movies You Must See Before You Die”, *Young Frankenstein* has a legion of fans worldwide who laugh at gags, *double entendres*, Marty Feldman’s goofiness and Wilder’s insanity.
- In honour of the 40th anniversary of *Young Frankenstein*, Mel Brooks had a boulevard named after him in Hollywood. His comment? “People are going to walk all over me!”
- The brain which Igor is sent to steal (and which he drops) is labelled “Hans Delbrück, scientist and saint.” There actually was a real-life Hans Delbrück, a professor at the University of Berlin who died in 1929. His son Max was a biochemist who won the Nobel prize for Physiology or Medicine. Brooks chose Hans Delbrück as the name of the genius because it sounded very similar to “Mel Brooks.”
- Brooks’ *Young Frankenstein* is an affectionate homage to the classic *Frankenstein* of the ‘30s, directed by James Whale, starring Boris Karloff as the monster; the lab equipment used is from the original film.

