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DVDs**
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Academy Award winner Philip Seymour Hoffman in "Capote"
Capote

★★★½
Sony, \$28.95

THERE'S a big difference between imitating someone famous and inhabiting them, and Philip Seymour Hoffman knows it. He inhabits Capote completely and is merely the best part of an excellent film that also boasts a finely honed Catherine Keener as Harper Lee, and an assured fictional directorial debut by Bennett Miller. Extras include commentary tracks and a documentary on Capote.

Chicken Little

★
Disney, \$29.99

WANT proof that Disney needed rescuing by Pixar? Then watch this soulless rehash of lazy pop-cultural riffs smothered with an insincere dollop of father-son relationship troubles. It isn't easy making movies as guileless and entertaining as "Finding Nemo" and "Toy Story." Modest extras include deleted scenes and music videos.



The Squid and the Whale

★★★½
Sony, \$26.96

THE blistering effects of divorce have never been funnier. Jeff Daniels does his best work in years as a self-absorbed, floundering writer, and of course Laura Linney is spot-on. The surprise? Their kids — played by Owen Kline and Jesse Eisenberg — are just as memorable. Extras include commentary by writer-director Noah Baumbach.

Also out: the engrossing and underappreciated "Keane" (Magnolia; \$26.98); kitsch classic "The Ten Commandments 50th Anniversary Collection" (Paramount; \$24.99); Iraqi war TV drama "Over There" (Fox; \$39.98); and the girl-and-her-horse drama "Dreamer: Inspired by a True Story" (DreamWorks; \$29.99).

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A "damned dirty ape" and Heston in "Planet of the Apes."

**Planet of the Apes:
Ultimate DVD
Collection**

★★★
Fox, \$179.98

FOR sheer fanatical completeness, it's hard to beat this massive boxed set stored in an ape-head package. You get all six original "Apes" movies, the 2001 remake, the entire live-action TV series (the missing link that provides the key to making sense of the entire "Apes" story line) and the animated Saturday morning cartoon. Much of it is loaded with crazily satisfying extras.

**New York Mets: 1986
World Series**

★★★½
A&E, \$89.95

DVD is proving revolutionary in packaging classic sporting events. This drool-worthy set has the 16-inning Game 6 of the NLCS, all seven games of the World Series, and everything from the clubhouse celebration to the Ring Ceremony the following year. You gotta believe it's irresistible.

**Three Films By Louis
Malle**

★★★★
Criterion, \$79.95

THIS collects the heart of director Louis Malle's work: the controversial 1971 incest drama "Murmur of the Heart," the complex 1974 WW II drama "Lacombe, Lucien" and the heart-wrenching 1987 masterpiece "Au Revoir Les Enfants." All are presented in glorious prints with extras, including audio and TV interviews with Malle, Candice Bergen and the Charlie Chaplin short glimpsed in "Les Enfants."

Also out: the empty but pretty "Memoirs of a Geisha" (Sony, \$28.96), Seth Green's goofy "Robot Chicken" (Paramount, \$29.98), 50 Cent's film debut "Get Rich Or Die Tryin'" (Paramount, \$29.99) and the droll comedy "Whisky" (First Run, \$24.95).



Ziyi Zhang in "Memoirs of a Geisha."