

TATIL KİTABI/SUMMER BOOK

[SYNOPSIS]

Throughout one long summer, each member of a family in a provincial town tries to solve his/her personal crises as their daily lives flow by at their own slow pace. The film follows the lives of Mustafa, his wife, Güler, his two sons and his younger brother Hasan living in Silifke, a southern town in Turkey.

Mustafa is a hard-working and ambitious agricultural merchant who is cold and austere towards his family. One day he has a brain hemorrhage on a business trip and goes into a coma after the operation. Güler is suspicious of her husband having an affair. Veysel, their teenage son, wants to leave the military academy and study business administration. Ali, their 10-year-old son, has to cope both with his bully classmate and the chewing gums he has to sell. Hasan, Mustafa's younger brother, chose to live a life in solitude after getting a divorce, and has always been an outsider to the family. But now, with his brother in coma, he finds himself involved in family affairs. Hasan has to solve the mystery about Mustafa's mistress and the money lost during his trip.

Ali is given a workbook called "Summer Book" at school, at the beginning of summer holiday. Though he is supposed to learn lots of things from the book, he never has the chance to use it because his bully friend takes it from him. Instead Ali learns lots of things from his experience throughout this long summer; he somehow has his own practical summer book.