

However You Spell It

I used to enjoy a good afternoon of Monopoly, but as I grew older I discovered that it takes FOREVER to play and who can actually say that they have ever played a full, complete, by the book game? In any case, here is a bit of useless trivia that might come up on a night of fun and games. Which is the only property on the original Atlantic City edition of Monopoly to not be named after an Atlantic City location? Marven Gardens is a housing development in Margate City, New Jersey and is not located in the Atlantic City limits. It is on the border of Margate and Ventnor City (there must be a Ventnor Avenue □)... hence the name Marven Gardens. Another bit of useless trivia: the Monopoly game has misspelled the name for the decades in which it has been produced. Charles Darrow's misspelling "M-a-r-v-i-n" was copied when Parker Bros. bought the game rights and a formal apology was made to the residents of Marven Gardens in 1995 (better late than never I guess). I was recently introduced to a new Monopoly card game entitled [MONOPOLY DEAL](#) which does not take the never ending hours of the traditional (board game (or one of the hundreds of variations). If you can name any pop culture creation I am sure there is a version or soon to be... let's make a list:

- Star Wars Original Trilogy Edition
- Star Wars Episode I Edition

Speaking of movies...

Are you board of movies? Yes, that spelling mistake was intentional. You see, this post is related to movies that are about board games. There was an article in the local

newspaper a few days ago about this topic (link below). I'm sure we all remember the 1985 movie based on the game [Clue](#), the 1993 chess movie [Searching for Bobby Fischer](#), and of course the Robin Williams movie based on the fictional game [Jumanji](#) (along with its Williams-less sequel [Zathura](#)). Now Hasbro and Universal apparently now want to bring us Monopoly, Candy Land and Ouija. Needless to say, due to my faith I will not be seeing the last in any form. Depending how the reviews go, I may or may not see the first two either. Candy Land?? I can only guess this will be a feature for children meaning that I know of a certain Ohio couple who will be seeing it as they have four young ones, at least three of which will likely be interested when it is released. Anyway, I tire of writing this entry so soon after the last so just click the link below for the news story: □

[Hasbro rolls the dice on board game movies](#)