Best motion picture of the year

- "The Curious Case of Benjamin Button"
- "Frost/Nixon"
- 🧼 "Milk"
- "The Reader"
- "Slumdog Millionaire"

Performance by an actor in a supporting role

- Josh Brolin in "Milk"
- Robert Downey Jr. in "Tropic Thunder"
- Philip Seymour Hoffman in "Doubt"
- Heath Ledger in "The Dark Knight"
- Michael Shannon in "Revolutionary Road"
- Performance by an actress in a supporting role
 - Amy Adams in "Doubt"
 - Penélope Cruz in "Vicky Cristina Barcelona"
 - Viola Davis in "Doubt"
 - Taraji P. Henson in "The Curious Case of Benjamin Button"
 - Marisa Tomei in "The Wrestler"

Best animated feature film of the year

- 🧼 "Bolt"
- 🧼 "Kung Fu Panda"
- "WALL-E"

Achievement in cinematography

- "Changeling"
- "The Curious Case of Benjamin Button"
- "The Dark Knight"
- "The Reader"
- "Slumdog Millionaire"

Achievement in costume design

- "Australia"
- "The Curious Case of Benjamin Button"
- "The Duchess"
- 🧼 "Milk"
- "Revolutionary Road"

Achievement in film editing

- "The Curious Case of Benjamin Button"
- "The Dark Knight"
- "Frost/Nixon"
- 🧼 "Milk"
- "Slumdog Millionaire"
- Best documentary short subject
 - "The Conscience of Nhem En"
 - "The Final Inch"
 - "Smile Pinki"
 - "The Witness From the Balcony of Room 306"

Performance by an actor in a leading role

- Richard Jenkins in "The Visitor"
- Frank Langella in "Frost/Nixon"
- Sean Penn in "Milk"
- Brad Pitt in "The Curious Case of Benjamin Button"
- Mickey Rourke in "The Wrestler"

Performance by an actress in a leading role

- Anne Hathaway in "Rachel Getting Married"
- Angelina Jolie in "Changeling"
- Melissa Leo in "Frozen River"
- Meryl Streep in "Doubt"
- Kate Winslet in "The Reader"

Achievement in directing

- David Fincher, "The Curious Case of Benjamin Button"
- Ron Howard, "Frost/Nixon"
- Gus Van Sant, "Milk"
- Stephen Daldry, "The Reader"
- Danny Boyle, "Slumdog Millionaire"

Best documentary feature

- "The Betrayal (Nerakhoon)"
- "Encounters at the End of the World"
- "The Garden"
- "Man on Wire"
- "Trouble the Water"

Best foreign language film of the year

- "The Baader Meinhof Complex", Germany
- "The Class", France
- "Departures", Japan
- "Revanche", Austria
- Waltz with Bashir", Israel

Achievement in art direction

- "Changeling"
- "The Curious Case of Benjamin Button"
- "The Dark Knight"
- "The Duchess"
- "Revolutionary Road"

Achievement in makeup

- "The Curious Case of Benjamin Button"
- "The Dark Knight"
- "Hellboy II: the Golden Army"

Achievement in music written for motion pictures (Original score)

- "The Curious Case of Benjamin Button"
- "Defiance"
- 🧼 "Milk"

Achievement in music written for motion pictures (Original song)

- "Down to Earth" from "WALL-E"
- "Jai Ho" from "Slumdog Millionaire"
- "O Saya" from "Slumdog Millionaire"

Best live action short film

- "Auf der Strecke (On the Line)"
- "Manon on the Asphalt"
- "New Boy"
- "The Pig"
- "Spielzeugland (Toyland)"

Achievement in sound mixing

- "The Curious Case of Benjamin Button"
- "The Dark Knight"
- "Slumdog Millionaire"
- 🍚 "WALL-Ĕ"
- "Wanted"

Adapted screenplay

- "The Curious Case of Benjamin Button"
- "Doubt"
- "Frost/Nixon"
- "The Reader"
- Slumdog Millionaire"

- "Slumdog Millionaire"
- "WALL-E"

Best animated short film

- "La Maison en Petits Cubes"
- "Lavatory Lovestory"
- Oktapodi"
- "Presto"
- "This Way Up"

Achievement in sound editing

- "The Dark Knight"
- "Iron Man"
- "Slumdog Millionaire"
- "WALL-E"
- "Wanted"

Achievement in visual effects

- "The Curious Case of Benjamin Button"
- "The Dark Knight"
- "Iron Man"

Original screenplay

- "Frozen River"
- "Happy-Go-Lucky"
- "In Bruges"
- 🧼 "Milk"
- "WALL-E"