MOVIE

& A Guide for Talking about and Reviewing Movies.



1

INTRODUCTION

Title? When was it made? Who was it directed by? Is it well-known/popular?

(title)......was directed by....(director)... in ... / years ago. It is a very well-known film based on the book of the same name.

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GENRE

What kind of film is it?

It is a/an.....(adj)......film.
This is a..(noun)......
This is a (adj).......

Types of films: action, horror, family, sci-fi, western, thriller, fantasy, animation (cartoon), romance, drama, adventure, science fiction, spy story, musical, war film, comedy, historical, fiction,

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CHARACTERS AND ACTORS

Who are the main actors?
Who is in it?
Who does it star?
What are the main characters?

Characters: leading role, hero, evil, heroine, a killer, supporting character, small part, the funniest, a thug etc.

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SETTING

When does it take place? Where/ when is it set in? It takes place in/on.....
It is set in/on.....

.....on another planet, in the USA, in space, a boat, in Moscow in the 80s, on the earth in the future etc.

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PLOT

What is this film about? What happens? How does it end?

It is about......
The plot is about......

a man chasing a killer, love, ... (name)'s relationship with..., historical events... etc.

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REVIEW

What is it like?
What is your opinion?
What did you like most?

The movie had good/bad (nouns)..

I liked... (nouns)

I think it is... (adj)

What I liked most was (the way)......

acting, track, special effects, camera work, visual effects, directing; boring, scary, moving, depressing, great, sad etc.



MOVIE ACTIVITIES.



1. Fill in the blanks in the paragraph with these words: off, movie, worth, famous, actors, funny, acting, tickets, supposed, pick

We went out to see a last night. It
was to be a comedy, but it
wasn't at all! The plot (= story) was
very boring, and the was pretty bad.
I didn't recognize any of the I don't
think any of them are The
were expensive too - We paid \$20 for two! It
wasn't it. I usually good
movies, but this time I was (= mistaken)

Positive	Negative	Neutral
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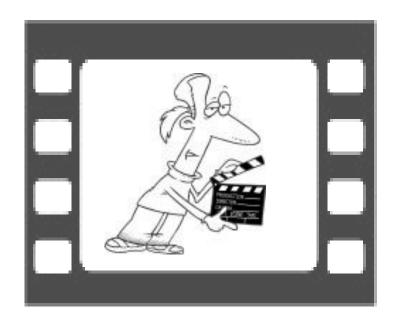
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2. Here is a list of vocabulary that reviewers often use when describing movies. Which of them are positive, negative or neutral? Put them into the related columns.

first-rate insightful brutal comical charismatic enjoyable outdated hilarious original tender weak absorbing intriguing sensitive powerful fascinating pleasant satirical surprising dazzling provoking imaginative legendary big-budget highly-charged second-rate violent clever charming third-rate boring ordinary disgusting senseless static confused disappointing bloody silly tired predictable stupid suspenseful low-budget uninteresting incredibly tiresome outdated dreadful



Word Bank: star acting critic blockbuster hero camera fantasy stunt scene screenplay director

ANSWER KEYS

1. Gap filling

We went out t	to see a movie	_last night. It was_	_supposed	to be a come	dy, but it
wasn't funn	y at all! TI	ne plot (= story) wo	as very boring, and	the <u>acting</u>	was pretty
bad. I didn't r	recognize any of the	<u>actors_</u> I don't	think any of them	are _famous _	· ·
The_tickets_	were expens	sive too - We paid \$	320 for two! It was	sn't <mark>wort</mark> ł	nit. I usually
_pick	good movies, but	this time I was	off (= mis	staken)	

3. Movie Word search

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