



CINEMAGIC

FILM REVIEWING TIPS - 8+

WHEN YOU LOVE A MOVIE, WHAT IS IT ABOUT THE MOVIE THAT MAKES YOU ENJOY IT? TRY TO THINK ABOUT THESE THINGS WHEN WATCHING:

STORY

What are the three parts of a good story?

Beginning

Do we know where we are?
Do we know who the main character is?
What are the people and place like?

Middle

Does something funny or exciting happen?
What does the main character do?

End

Is it a happy ending or a sad ending?
What has changed from the beginning of the film?

The film could also finish with a 'cliffhanger' – where we don't know what happens next!

**What three words would you use to describe the film?
What words would you use to describe the story?**

Words like EXCITING, UNIQUE, INTERESTING are great ones to use!

Write your words here:



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CHARACTERS

Is there a 'good' character and a 'bad' character?
If a character does something bad, why do you think they do it?
What three words would you use to describe the main character?
Some examples are CURIOUS, BRAVE and SNEAKY.

Write your words here:



SOUND

There are 3 types of sound to look out for: MUSIC, DIALOGUE (TALKING) and SOUND EFFECTS.

MUSIC – How did the music make you feel? Think of things like NERVOUS, RELAXED, HAPPY or FRIGHTENED. **DIALOGUE** – What types of words and phrases do the characters use? Are they FUNNY, SERIOUS or ANGRY?

SOUND EFFECTS – These are sounds added into the film to help emphasise or to heighten a noise. They can be anything from a dog barking to an explosion!

Tell us some of the sound effects in the film:



CAMERA AND ANIMATION

Think of where the camera has been placed – for example, if a character is angry or sad, the camera might be close to their face so we can see it clearly.

Do you like the animation style? Different words to describe the animation could be COLOURFUL, BIZARRE or REALISTIC

Write one word to describe the animation:

