

And the Oscar goes to...

1. Read the paragraph below, paying special attention to the prepositions.

*My name is Mike, and I'm **obsessed with** movies! I got **interested in** film from a young age and was **addicted to** the cinema as a teenager. I think the best movies are thrillers because the viewer is deeply **involved in** the story and can't stop watching the film. Not all thrillers are good, but the best ones keep you **gripped to** the silver screen until the very end! I'm also **fascinated by** the acting, direction, and cinematography of the film.*

Do you know which preposition to use after a specific adjective, verb, or noun?
Which prepositions do we use after adjectives? Give an example.

2. More about prepositions...

There are no rules about which preposition to follow verbs, nouns, or adjectives. You need to learn the specific preposition to use with each one.

Adjective	Preposition
Interested	in
Delighted	with
Happy	about
Disappointed	in / with

Here are some examples:

*I was **surprised by** the birthday present you gave me.*

*The ABC Company **merged with** the N.Y. Group last month.*

3. Matching!

Match the adjectives with their prepositions.

for (2) / about / with / at / to / of

Afraid _____

Famous _____

Bored _____

Excited _____

Amazed _____

Respected _____

Different _____

4. Cloze Test

Complete the sentences with the correct preposition:

1. Excuse me. Are you interested _____ doing a survey about our company?
2. The students were disappointed _____ their exam results.
3. Most tourists are impressed _____ the majesty of the buildings in Rome.
4. Customers are angry _____ transport problems caused by transporters.
5. Students must stay focused _____ their studies to pass this exam.
6. The teachers in this school are devoted _____ helping their students.

5. Ask your teacher these questions by using the correct preposition after each adjective. Then, answer his/her questions:

1. Are you involved _____ politics?
2. Are you excited _____ your plans for the holidays?
3. When did you become interested _____ your career?
4. What are you frightened _____?
5. Are you happy _____ your ability to speak other languages?

3, 2, 1... Action!

6. Part I

Read the email about movies.

Hi Susan,

*Thanks for your email. I didn't know you were a **movie buff**! I'm not really, but I watch a lot of movies.*

*I like many **genres** of films, but I always look at the **preview** before I watch a movie. The **ratings** of a film are important too. I like the cinema, but my boyfriend prefers to **download** films from the internet.*

*Well, a new movie has just come out in our local **movie theater**. It's called 'Walking in Moonlight'. It's supposed to be **spectacular** and with a good **cast**. I think it's a **sci-fi thriller** about a woman who starts a new life on the moon. I know that sounds **ridiculous**!*

Part II

Read the email about movies.

*I saw a horror movie last week about monsters. It was **gory** and **creepy**. It totally freaked me out!*

*Generally, I prefer a **nostalgic** type of film, but my boyfriend doesn't like **sentimental** stuff. If you're free next weekend, do you want to see the **psychological thriller**, "Disappeared"? It got **tremendous** reviews for its **script** and **direction**. The **leading** actor won an **award** at the Golden Globes.*

Call me!

Jennifer

7. Now, answer the questions based on the passage above.

1. Jennifer always watches the _____ before watching a new movie.
2. The new movie in the cinema is _____.
3. How does Jennifer feel about the horror movie she watched?
4. Her boyfriend's not into _____.

8. Replace the words in bold by using the words in the

box: actors / kinds / touching / ludicrous / ranking

1. Fantasy stories are often **ridiculous** and hard to believe! _____
2. I guess that we don't always enjoy the same **genres** of movies. _____
3. I was impressed by the **cast** in the film. They did a great job! _____
4. Stories about love and the past are emotional and **sentimental**. _____
5. The **ratings** for this low-budget film are quite terrible. _____

9. Match the words with their synonyms / definition

Movie buff	Stunning
Tremendous	Screenplay
Spectacular	Prize
Award	Expert in film
Scary	Cinema
Movie theater	Great
Script	Frightening

10. Select the correct word to fill the gaps:

nostalgic / leading / creepy / movie buff / award / spectacular

1. The _____ actress played the main character well; she captured the audience's attention in every scene.
2. The lead actor played a scary character who was weird and _____.
3. The film about childhood made me sentimental and _____ for my own childhood memories.
4. Daniel Day Lewis received an _____ for his amazing performance in 'My Left Foot'.
5. My friend Bill is a real _____. He even writes film reviews for the local newspaper.
6. The cinematography of "Into the Wild" is _____. It shows great landscapes and forests.

11. Movie recommendations

Part I

Read the article about four different movies:

"Marie-Antoinette"

This film is a historical epic directed by Sophia Coppola. Set in 18th century France, the movie follows the rise and fall of the young empress, Marie Antoinette, who was married to King Louis the 16th of France. This movie is a magical journey into the past as it depicts royal life during the Rococo era within the magnificent setting of the Versailles gardens.

"The Wedding Crashers"

This is a classic romantic comedy! The plot is about two single guys who crash weddings to meet girls. Thanks to a well-written script and hilarious performance from Owen Wilson and Vince Vaughn, this movie is both heart-warming and very funny.

"The Exorcist"

According to many film reviewers and movie buffs, this classic horror movie is considered one of the scariest movies ever made. Directed in 1973, the story of a young girl possessed by a supernatural entity will have you jumping out of your skin!

"Pulp Fiction"

A Tarantino masterpiece, this famous movie combines a cleverly written script, a talented cast, and unique directing. The film incorporates excitement, crime, intrigue, and adventure all in one.

12. Reading Comprehension

1. Name the action movie described by the narrator. _____
2. Which film includes a ghost or demon? _____
3. What era is the historical movie 'Marie-Antoinette' set in? _____
4. Which movie is most likely a tear-jerker? _____
5. How will the movie 'The Exorcist' make you feel? _____

13. Movie vocabulary

Complete each sentence with the correct word:

sci-fi thriller / script / movie theatre / gory / plot / depicts

1. The horror movie was too violent and _____ for me to watch.
2. The _____ in this comedy is hilarious! There are many well-written, clever jokes.
3. The movie 'Slumdog Millionaire' _____ the story of a young boy living in the slums of India.
4. Let's go to the _____ and see a film on Saturday night.
5. The movie about aliens attacking earth is a _____.
6. The _____ in this film is about a detective who is trying to find a missing person.

14. A movie review

A fable from a true tragedy: 'Spencer'. Watch the video – it's a trailer for 'Spencer'.

Now, answer the questions about the trailer:

1. What is the setting and atmosphere of the movie, based on the video clip?
2. How does the preview make you feel? Why?
3. What genre of movie is this, in your opinion?

15. Match the adjectives with the movie genre:

gory	bizarre
out of this world	fantastic (2)
tear-jerker	gripping
heartwarming	terrifying
sentimental	spellbinding
	entralling

Horror			
Sci-fi			
Thriller / Suspense			
Romantic / Comedy			

16. Movie Review

Part I

Complete the movie review with the words from the box.

riveting / settings / obsessed / thriller

"The Nightcrawler" is a psychological _____ that keeps its audience gripped to the screen throughout the movie. Jake Gyllenhaal plays an unemployed and mentally unstable vagabond who, desperate for money, starts taking photos of accidents on the streets of Los Angeles and selling them to local TV stations. As he grows more _____ with his new job and pushes the boundaries further, his work starts to go well. He hires a poor homeless kid whom he exploits as his 'assistant' on frantic rides across the city. The movie drags you through the nocturnal _____ of L.A., such as Hollywood, where you experience the barren and dangerous _____ of empty streets. Gyllenhaal's performance is _____, and Dan Gilroy's direction is outstanding in this film which should not be missed!

17. How to make a movie

camcorder / subtitles / dubbing / voice preparation / sound engineering / tripod / microphone / screenplay / soundtrack / LED lighting / costumes / editing software

Movie editing	Music	Lights
Actors	Cinematography	Writing

18. The dearest and nearest: Word families

Complete the Word Family Table with the missing words:

Noun	Person	Verb
Entertainment		Entertain
	Performer	Perform
	Photographer	Photograph
Direction		Direct
	Producer	Produce
Management	Manager	
	Composer	Compose