

13 That's entertainment!

1 Choose the correct words to complete these movie reviews.

Classic Movie Review

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Indiana Jones and the Kingdom of the Crystal Skull

This action movie is dumb. It has amazing (amazed / amazing) action scenes, but the story is really _____ (bored / boring). I think the other Indiana Jones movies were _____ (excited / exciting), but I think this one is ridiculous.

Brian's Song

This drama is based on a _____ (fascinated / fascinating) true story. It's about Brian Piccolo, a football player who develops a terrible disease, and his friend Gayle Sayers. Maybe it doesn't sound _____ (interested / interesting), but it's a must-see. The film has great acting and a wonderful script. I was very _____ (moved / moving) by the story of the friendship between Piccolo and Sayers.

2 Choose the correct words.

1. Denzel Washington was outstanding (horrible / ridiculous / outstanding) in his last movie. I think he's a really great actor.
2. I really enjoyed all of the *Hunger Games* movies. In fact, I think they're _____ (terrible / wonderful / boring).
3. The special effects were great in that sci-fi movie we saw last week. They can do such _____ (silly / dumb / incredible) things with 3-D technology these days.
4. The latest *Star Wars* movie was _____ (dumb / disgusting / fantastic), and I'd love to see it again.



3 Choose the correct responses.



1. **A:** I think that Keira Knightley is very pretty.

B: Oh, I do, too.

- Oh, I do, too.
- I don't like her either.

2. **A:** His new movie is the dumbest movie I've ever seen.

B: _____

- Yeah, I liked it, too.
- I didn't like it either.

3. **A:** It's weird that they don't show more classic movies on TV. I really like them.

B: _____

- I know. It's really wonderful.
- I know. It's strange.

4. **A:** I think Tina Fey is hilarious.

B: _____

- Yeah, she's horrible.
- Yeah, she's excellent.

5. **A:** The movie we saw last night was ridiculous.

B: _____

- Yes, I agree. It was exciting.
- Well, I thought it was pretty good.

4 Drag and drop the sentences below where they correspond.

1. Things you think are exciting

I think paragliding is exciting.

2. Things you are interested in

3. Things you think are boring

4. Things you are disgusted by

I think learning English is exciting.

I'm disgusted by bad smells.

I'm interested in reading books.

I'm disgusted by dirty food.

I think doing the dishes is boring.

I'm interested in playing the guitar.

I think waiting in long lines is boring.



5 Movie classics on the Internet

A Read about these movies available online. Write the number of the movie next to its type.

_____ fantasy _____ war movie _____ romantic drama _____ science fiction

Movie Classics

1. *Casablanca* (1945)
This is the story of two people in love during World War II who are waiting in Casablanca for a chance to escape from the war. Starring Humphrey Bogart and Ingrid Bergman and directed by John Huston, this movie is a must!

2. *Pan's Labyrinth* (2006)
This movie blends a story of the Spanish Civil War with the mythological fantasies of a young girl (Ivana Baquero). It takes place in the mountains of northern Spain where legends of strange creatures are still told. The movie was written and directed by Guillermo de Toro. It is a masterpiece and it is out of this world!

3. *2001: A Space Odyssey* (1968)
Directed by Stanley Kubrick, this is a story about two astronauts who are on a fatal mission in outer space. But it's the ship's computer, HAL, who really steals the show.

4. *The Bridge Over the River Kwai* (1957)
You will never forget the music of this film! And you will understand why many people think it is one of the best movies ever made about war. It is the story of British and American soldiers who are prisoners of war. They must build a bridge in Burma during World War II. You will not be disappointed!



B Write the name of the movie described.

1. a movie with an unusual "star": _____
2. two lovers in a difficult situation: _____
3. where dreams and reality meet: _____
4. its music is unforgettable: _____

C Match the expressions in column A with their meanings in column B.

A	B
1. you won't be disappointed _____	a. you need to see it
2. out of this world _____	b. becomes the center of attention
3. it's a must _____	c. you're going to like it
4. steals the show _____	d. outstanding

6 Tell me more!

A Rewrite these sentences. Use *who* or *which*.

1. *The Sound of Music* is a movie. It has been very popular for a long time.

The Sound of Music is a movie which has been very popular for a long time.

2. *The Theory of Everything* is a movie. It is based on a true story about Stephen Hawking.

3. Elizabeth Taylor was an actress. She won two Academy Awards.

4. Akira Kurosawa was a director. He was one of the most influential filmmakers in history.

5. *The Miracle Worker* is a great movie. It won a lot of awards.

6. Jennifer Lopez is an actress, a dancer, and a singer. She also appears on TV.

B Write two sentences like those in part A about movies and entertainers. Use *who* or *which*.

1. _____

2. _____

7 Complete the sentences. Use *that* for things or *who* for people.

Heather: Who is Mark Twain?

Carlos: Oh, you know him. He's an author who wrote a lot of novels about life in America in the 1800s.

Heather: Oh, I remember. He wrote several stories _____ people have to read in literature classes, right?

Carlos: Yes, but people love reading them for pleasure, too.

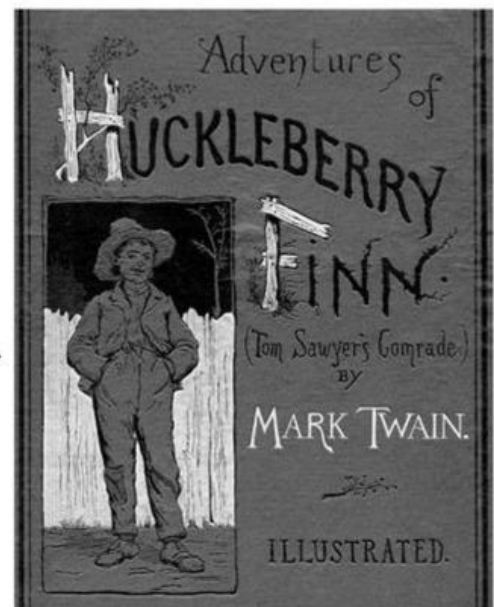
Heather: What's his most popular book?

Carlos: I guess *Adventures of Huckleberry Finn* is the one _____ is most famous. It's a work _____ has been very popular since it was published in 1885.

Heather: Ah, yes, I think I've heard of it. What's it about?

Carlos: It's about a boy _____ has a lot of adventures with his friend Tom Sawyer. It was one of the first American novels _____ was written in the first person. It's Huck Finn himself _____ tells the story.

Heather: Now, that's a story _____ I'd like to read.



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Different kinds of movies

A Write definitions for these different kinds of movies. Use relative clauses and the phrases in the box.

- ☐ has a love story
- ☒ has cowboys in it
- ☐ has a lot of excitement
- ☐ is about a real person
- ☐ is scary
- ☐ makes you laugh
- ☐ shows real events



1. A western is a movie that has cowboys in it.
2. A romance _____
3. A comedy _____
4. An action film _____
5. A horror film _____
6. A biography _____
7. A documentary _____

B Read the next paragraphs and carefully check for mistakes in grammar and spelling.

My Favorite Kind of Movie

I really like action movies. They are movies that make me forget about all my problems. . . .

I really like action movies. They are movies who make me forget about all my problems. I enjoys the fast-paced scenes, intense car chases, and exciting fight sequences. The characters is often brave and strong, who makes me feel inspired. I also love the way action movies keep myself on the edge of my seat. There's always something happening, and I always get bored. Whenever I watch a action movie, I feel like I'm part of the adventure.

My Least Favorite Kind of Movie

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I doesn't like horror movies because I think they are really dumb. Usually, the story has characters which are not very scary. A lot of the time, the plot don't make much sense, and the characters make silly decisions. Instead of being scared, I often ends up laughing. I also don't likes the loud jump scares—they just make me feel annoyed. I would rather watching a movie that makes me think or feel excited, not one who tries too hard to be scary.

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Complete these sentences. Use the words in the box.

- | | |
|---|--|
| ☐ character | ☐ composer |
| ☐ cinematography | ☐ special effects |

- I thought the _____ in the *Jurassic Park* movies were cool.
It's incredible what they can do with computers.
- Have you ever seen the 1965 film *Doctor Zhivago*? The _____
is beautiful, especially the lighting.
- Hermione Granger is my favorite _____ in the *Harry Potter* books.
- I've forgotten the name of the _____ who wrote *Rhapsody in Blue*.
Was it George Gershwin?

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Rewrite this movie review. Where possible, join sentences with *who*, *that*, or *which*.

THE HUNGER GAMES

The Hunger Games is a series of science fiction films. They started to come out in 2012. The first one was directed by Gary Ross. He also wrote the screenplay. The films include some famous actors. The actors include Jennifer Lawrence and Woody Harrelson. The films are about a young girl. She is called Katniss. She joins a contest to save her community in the near future. The future is very dark and dangerous. Will she save her community?

