

A review of *Paul* by Carla Spence

1 Last week, I watched *Paul* on DVD. It's a science fiction film which is also a comedy. The film stars Simon Pegg and Nick Frost, two British actors.

2 It's the story of two friends, Graeme and Clive, who are on holiday in the US. They are science fiction fans and they are visiting all the places that they know about from their science fiction magazines. Near Area 51, they meet an alien called Paul. Paul is running away from the FBI. He asks Graeme and Clive to help him escape and they agree.

3 The characters of Graeme and Clive are interesting because they change during the film. At the start, they're quiet and shy. However, during their adventures they become brave, loyal and strong. The film is really about the relationship between Graeme, Clive and Paul, although there is also a love story.

4 In my opinion, this is a fast-moving and gripping film, although it's also a comedy. The special effects are fantastic. However, the best thing about the film is the acting. Overall, it's a really enjoyable comedy.

The Twilight Saga: **Eclipse** *by Ben*

A One of my favourite films is *The Twilight Saga: Eclipse*. It's a fantasy film, although it's also a love story. The film stars Kristen Stewart and Robert Pattinson.

B It's the story of Bella and Edward, a teenage girl and a vampire, who fall in love and want to get married. However, another vampire called Victoria wants to kill Bella, so Edward and Bella's werewolf friend Jacob has to protect her.

C The acting was excellent. I particularly liked Kristen Stewart and Taylor Lautner, who played the part of Jacob Black. However, the best thing about the film was the amazing special effects, especially when Jacob turns into a werewolf.



D In my opinion, this film is full of action and really exciting, although I think the first film in the series was a bit better. Overall, it's a really enjoyable film.

Taylor Lautner

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The Godfather (1972)

The film *The Godfather* is [1] *based* on the book by Mario Puzo. The film was [2] directed by Martin Scorsese. It [3] stars Marlon Brando as Vito Corleone and Al Pacino as his son, Michael. The film won three Oscars in 1973 for Best Actor (Marlon Brando), Best Movie, and Best Screenplay.

The film is [4] set in New York in the 1940s and 50s. It was filmed on [5] location in New York and in Sicily.

The film is about the Corleone family. Vito, 'The Godfather', is head of one of the most powerful criminal families in America. Don Vito is a fair but ruthless man, who runs his business by doing favours and expecting favours in return. The Corleones get involved in a war with other criminal families, because they don't want to sell drugs. Don Vito is shot and he is seriously injured. While Don Vito is in hospital, control of the family passes to his eldest son, Sonny. Sonny is a hot-head, and with him in charge, the war between the various families becomes more violent. Don Vito's youngest son, Michael, has always stayed outside the family business, but when Don Vito is shot, he returns home to do what he can to help the family. He also takes his revenge against the people who are trying to kill his father. In the end, Sonny is shot and Michael becomes the new Godfather.

I strongly [6] recommend *The Godfather*. It has [7] action drama, an unforgettable [8] soundtrack and an important message: that violence never really solves anything. The two [9] sequels *The Godfather II* and *The Godfather III* are also good, but the first film is definitely my favourite.



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Phrases that helps

Basic information

1. Base: The film is .....on the book by Mario Puzo.
2. Genre:
   - It's a ....., which is .....a comedy.
   - It's a fantasy film ..... it's also a love story.
3. Director:
   - The film ..... by Martine Scorsese
4. Actor/actress
   - The film ..... Simon Pegg and Nick Frost.
   - The film ..... Kristen Steward and Robert Pattinson.
   - It .....Marion Brando .....Vito Corieone and Al Pacino .....his son, Micheal.
5. Set
   - The movie is .....in New York in the 1940s and 1950s.

Plot summary

6. It's the .....of two friends, Graeme and Clive, ...are on holiday in the US.
7. It's the .....of Bella and Edward, a teenager girl and a vampire, ...fall in love and want to get married.
8. The film is ..... the Corieone family.

Comments

Characters

9. The characters of Graeme and Clive are .....

Special effects

10. The special effects are .....
11. The best thing about the film was the .....special effects.

Acting

12. The .....thing about the film is the acting.
13. The acting was .....

Soundtrack:

14. It has action, drama, and an .....soundtrack.

Message:

15. It has an .....message: that violence never really solves things.

Overall comment

16. In my opinion, this is a ..... and ..... film.
17. Overall, it's a really .....comedy.
18. In my opinion, this film is full of ..... and really .....
19. Overall, it's a really .....film.
20. I strongly .....the Godfather.

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