

# MOVIES

## Movies Role Play

### Lesson Plan

**Description** - A group of friends is trying to decide what movie to see.

**Preparation** - Copy / cut role play cards before class. Prepare one role play card per student. Prepare a list of movies currently in theatres (preferably with images of the movie posters). Optionally, students can look up movies currently in the theatres on their phones.

### Warm up

Divide the class into groups of four. A group of three can be made if necessary. Write this question on the board: "What makes you want to see a movie?" Have students discuss the question. Elicit some of the students' thoughts.

*Note - The discussion questions are about movies in general. Depending on the teacher's preference, the discussion questions can be used during the warm up, wrap up, or as a supplement if the activity runs short.*

### Set up

Hand each student in the group a role play card and give them time to read it. If you have a group of three, you can take out one of the role cards. Tell students they shouldn't show their group members their card. Explain any unfamiliar vocabulary from the cards.

Show students the list of movies currently in theatres or have them look up a list of movies currently in theatres. Give them a little time to look over them and decide what movies they would be willing to see based on the instructions on their card.

Explain that at the end of the role play the group must decide on just one movie to see.

### Role play

Students can stay seated or do their role play standing up. All groups in the class will do the role play at the same time while the teacher monitors and makes notes of common errors. Try not to interrupt or interfere with the role play unless absolutely necessary.

Give students around seven minutes to complete the role play. The role play may run short or long depending on how outgoing and confident your students are.

Once it looks like one or two of the groups are finishing up, give the other groups one or two minutes to finish their role plays and decide what movie to watch.

### Wrap up

When everyone is finished, go around the class and ask groups which movie they chose and why.

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## Discussion Questions

- What is your favorite genre of movie?
- Who are some of your favorite actors?
- What kind of movie is best for a date?
- Do you cry during movies?
- What is the best movie you have ever seen?
- What was the scariest movie you have ever seen?
- How often do you see movies?
- Do you usually watch movies at the theater or watch them at home?
- Do you buy DVDs or download movies?
- What is the best snack to eat during a movie?
- What do people do during movies that really annoys you?
- Which is more important, acting or special effects?
- If you could make a movie, what would it be about?
- If someone made a movie of your life, what kind of movie would it be?

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## Role Play Card

### Role 1

*Action movie*

**You want to see an action movie. You really don't want to see a kids' movie.**

You really love action movies. The more action the better. You are okay with any movie as long as it has a lot of action in it. But you don't want to watch a kids' movie. They are always so childish and silly. Sometimes there is some action, but it's just not the same when it's a cartoon. Plus, they can't put in really violent action scenes because they are meant for kids. Your goal is to get everyone to see an action movie.

### Role 2

*Kids' movie*

**You want to see a kids' movie. You really don't want to see a romantic movie.**

You are in the mood for a kids' movie. You want to watch something light that isn't too serious. You definitely don't want to see a romance. They are always so dramatic. Plus, they sometimes make you cry, and you don't want to be embarrassed in front of your friends. You are okay with anything as long as it isn't too serious like a romantic movie. Your goal is to get everyone to see a kid's movie.

### Role 3

*Comedy*

**You want to see a comedy. You really don't want to see an action movie.**

You want something light-hearted and not serious. You just want to laugh. You don't want to see an action movie. You aren't in the mood to see a bunch of violence and killing today. You are okay with watching any movie as long as there are some jokes in it and not too much violence. You don't want to watch anything serious. Your goal is to get everyone to watch a comedy.

### Role 4

*Romantic movie*

**You want to see a romantic movie. You don't want to see a comedy.**

You are really in the mood to see a romantic movie. Something really dramatic. You aren't in the mood for a silly comedy. You want something emotional. A romantic comedy might be okay if it isn't too silly, but you would prefer a dramatic love story. If there are no romantic movies, you want something serious and dramatic. Your goal is to get everyone to watch a romantic movie.