

## Worksheet **Film**

1. On the right are some of the ways we classify films. On the left are some film **titles**. Match each title with the most appropriate kind of film from the column on the right.

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| 1. Last Days of the Black Rock Gang      | a. a cartoon               |
| 2. Bridge over the Seine                 | b. a western               |
| 3. John loves Mary loves Tom loves Judy  | c. a science fiction movie |
| 4. Born to be a Star                     | d. a disaster movie        |
| 5. Light Years from Yesterday            | e. a travelogue            |
| 6. The Blood of the Innocents in White   | f. a documentary           |
| 7. The London to Glasgow Express         | g. a war film              |
| 8. Avalanche                             | h. a (Hollywood) musical   |
| 9. Goldilocks at the Teddy Bears' Picnic | i. a horror film           |
| 10. Wildlife and the West                | j. a blue movie            |
| 11. Bonaparte and Alexander              | k. a thriller              |
| 12. Casablanca to Cape Town in 20 days   | l. a historical film       |
| 13. Life begins at Midnight in Amsterdam | m. a romantic comedy       |

2. In what situation might you say the following? Match each question with one of the situations on the right.

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| 1. What's on?                | You want to know whether the actors are any good.   |
| 2. Who's in it?              | You can't see a free seat anywhere.   |
| 3. What's it about?          | You need to know what time to get to the cinema.  |
| 4. What time does it start?  | You're thirsty.   |
| 5. Where shall we sit?       | You're leaving the cinema with a friend.  |
| 6. Where's the bar?          | There are three cinemas in town and you don't know which is showing the film you want to see. |
| 7. What did you think of it? | You haven't a clue what to go and see.  |
| 8. Where's it on?            | It might be a horror film and you wouldn't enjoy that.  |

3. Here are some of the categories for the annual Academy Award Winners. Each winner gets an Oscar. Look back over the past few years – not just this year – and note down who you would give your awards to for as many as you can of the categories below.

Best film

Best Actor

Best Actress

Best Supporting Actor

Best Supporting Actress

Best Director

Best Original Screenplay (script)

Best Screen Adaptation

Best Cinematic Photography

Best Editing

Best Special Effects

Best Original Score (music)

Best Costumes / Wardrobe

Best Title Sequence / Credits

Best Short (film)

Special Award for Services to the Cinema Industry, the motion picture business, the dream factory, the movie world.

4. Think about these questions.

- a. Which clip from a particular film would you never tire of seeing?
- b. What trailers have you seen recently that really made you want to go and see the film?
- c. Can you think of any scenes from films you think should have been cut? Or can you think of any entire film you think should have been banned?
- d. Which of these features do you, in general, like a film to have:
  1. a happy ending?
  2. a complicated plot or a simple storyline?
  3. lots of action?
  4. a political or social message?
  5. totally naturalistic dialogue?
  6. larger than life or true-to-life characters?
  7. (in the case of foreign films) subtitles or dubbed dialogue?
  8. lots of close-up shots of people's faces?
  9. long sequences of desert, jungle etc.?
  10. a fair number of stars or a cast of 'unknowns'?
- e. What can the cinema offer that the theatre can't – and vice versa?
- f. Which plays have you seen which you have also seen the film of? How did the two versions compare?
- g. Would you let your ten-year-old son go off to Hollywood to be in a film, with or without you there?

**Key to exercise 1:**

1 western, 2 war film, 3 romantic comedy, 4 (Hollywood) musical, 5 science fiction movie, 6 horror film, 7 documentary, 8 disaster movie, 9 cartoon, 10 travelogue, 11 historical film, 12 thriller, 13 blue movie.