

Film and book genres

- 1 Complete the dialogue with the words in the box. There are three words you don't need.

action comedy crime drama fantasy
horror musicals mystery romance
science fiction

- Harry Do you want to watch a film tonight?
Lisa Yes, but no ¹_____ films. I hate violence and fast cars!
Harry OK, but that means no ²_____ either. I hate all that singing and dancing!
Lisa Let's watch something funny. What about *Freaky Friday*? It's a great ³_____ about a mother and a daughter who switch bodies.
Harry I've already seen it! What about a ⁴_____? Something really frightening!
Lisa No, I don't like to feel scared when I watch a film. I suppose a ⁵_____ is out of the question.
Harry You know I'm not into love stories.
Lisa There's a great new ⁶_____ about a girl whose mum gets very ill. It's a bit sad though.
Harry No, thanks. I'm not in the mood. How about a ⁷_____ film? It's always interesting to think what the world might be like in the future.
Lisa Great idea!

- 2 Write the plot of a film or a book in two sentences. You can choose a film or book you know or invent your own. Make sure the plot is typical of the genre type.

1 action

2 fantasy

3 adventure

4 mystery

5 thriller

Films and books: verbs and nouns

- 3 Use the Wordlist pictures in the Workbook, or your dictionary, to check the meaning of these words.

actor actress cameraman composer
costume designer director make-up artist
screenwriter

- 4 Everyone is working hard on a film set today. Write what each person is doing.

- 1 Actors and actresses _____
2 A cameraman _____
3 A composer _____
4 A costume designer _____
5 A director _____
6 A make-up artist _____
7 A screenwriter _____

- 5 Complete the text using one word in each gap.



Yesterday I watched *Maleficent*.
What a great film!
Here are a few things that made it amazing.

- Although it's an ¹_____ of Charles Perrault's *Sleeping Beauty*, it shows the story from a different perspective. Linda Woolverton, a ²_____, did a great job rewriting the story for the film.
- I thought it was a Steven Spielberg film, but surprise! It was ³_____ by Robert Stromberg. This was the first film Stromberg made as a ⁴_____.
- American film ⁵_____ Angelina Jolie and Elle Fanning are *Maleficent* and *Princess Aurora*. Both ⁶_____ were wonderful and they received nominations for lots of ⁷_____.
- Beautiful dresses and other clothes! No wonder Anna B. Sheppard, a ⁸_____, was ⁹_____ for an Oscar. It's a shame she didn't ¹⁰_____ it.
- Finally, music! Have you heard Lana Del Rey sing *Once Upon a Dream*? Many thanks go to James Newton Howard, the ¹¹_____.