

5 - Favorite Books and Movies

Useful Vocabulary

my favorite book / movie	suspenseful / full of suspense	I was glued to the edge of my chair / seat.
the best book I've ever read	a cliff-hanger	
the best movie I've ever watched	action-packed	I was enthralled.
I've recently read / watched ...	fast-paced	character
novel	funny / amusing	hero / heroine / protagonist
genre	inspirational	antagonist / villain
(non-)fiction	thought-provoking	plot
historical novel	fascinating	setting
mystery	gripping	conflict
thriller / suspense novel	riveting	resolution
fantasy	well-written	theme
science fiction	a page-turner	actor
romance	masterfully written	cast
(auto)biography	masterpiece	role
drama	exceptional / superb (writing / acting)	special effects
comedy		action
action movie	highly recommended	award-winning
horror film	I couldn't stop reading.	has won many awards
entertaining	I couldn't put it down.	author
exciting	I read it from cover to cover in one sitting.	screenwriter
thrilling		director
epic		



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Practice Questions

1. Which genre of books / movies do you like best? Why? Give some examples of favorite books / movies from that genre.
2. What is your favorite book / film? Why?
3. Give a summary of the plot of your favorite book / movie.
4. Describe one character from your favorite book / film whom you especially like. Why do you like this character so much?
5. Describe one character from your favorite book / film whom you especially dislike. Why do you dislike this character so much?
6. If you could be a character from your favorite book / movie, which character would you choose to be? Why?
7. Describe one conflict that takes place within your favorite book / movie. Who is involved in the conflict and what is it about? Is the conflict resolved by the end of the story / film?
8. What is the theme of your favorite book / movie?
9. Suggest a continuation to your favorite book / movie.
10. Have you ever recommended your favorite book / film to friends? If so, what was their reaction? If not, why not?
11. If you ever met the author of your favorite book / the screenwriter of your favorite movie, what would you tell him / her?



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