

Romantic Films

Tutor Instructions

1. Ask tutee the discussion questions related to the following text.
2. Ask tutee to read the first movie summary silently.
3. Ask tutee questions about it or ask him/her to summarize the story for you and then choose the film type (first love, obsession, etc.).
4. Ask him/her to choose the romantic film type.
5. Ask them to read the next film summary and then finish with the production task.

Discussion Questions

1. Do you like romantic films? Why or why not?
2. What types of romantic films does this text talk about?
3. Have you seen any of them?
4. Ask the student what they know about the movies they have seen.

Five classic love stories – Which one is yours?

There are many romantic films, but there are only five basic types of love stories: First love, Obsession, Teacher and pupil, Rich and poor, and Sacrifice. Here are some examples from Hollywood...

1 – *My Fair Lady* - **Film Type:** _____

She is a poor girl who sells flowers and he is a university professor. He teaches her to speak English like a “princess”. She falls in love with him but he thinks she is only an interesting pupil. She gets angry and she leaves him. In the end he says he loves her.

2 – *An Officer and a Gentleman* - **Film Type:** _____

He's an American Marine. He wants to be an officer. She works in a factory. Her family is very poor. They go out together, and they fall in love. She wants to get married, but he's very ambitious, and he leaves her. But in the end he can't live without her, and he comes back to the factory for her.

3 – *Fatal Attraction* - **Film Type:** _____

He's a happy family man. He meets a woman at work. They have a passionate love affair. He wants to finish it, but she doesn't want to stop. She follows him everywhere, and makes his life impossible. In the end his wife kills her.

4 – *Romeo and Juliet* - **Film Type:** _____

They are very young. He meets her at a party and they fall in love, but his family hates her family. They spend one night together. She says 'I love you but our love is impossible'. They want to go away and get married, but in the end they die.

5 – *The Bridges of Madison County* - **Film Type:** _____

She is a housewife, married with two children. Her family goes away for the weekend. A man stops at her house. They fall in love. He says 'Let's get married', but she loves her children and she can't leave them, in the end he goes away and she stays with her husband. But she never forgets him, and he never forgets her.

Production Task –

1. Which movie or movies would you like to watch from the above list that you haven't watched? Why?
2. What type of romantic movie do you prefer?