STEP BY STEP

STUDENT TUTOR ENGLISH PROGRAM

Rotten Tomatoes: Movies/TV Shows

Speaking Lessons

CÉGEP DE LANAUDIÈRE à L'Assomption

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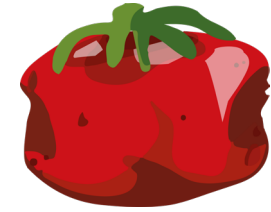
STEP 1: Assessment

- Do you know the website Rotten Tomatoes, where you can find reviews of movies and TV shows?

STEP 2: Theory

1. What kind of movies do you like?

a. horror movies	**d.** science-fiction movies	**g.** comedies	**j.** thrillers
b. animated movies	**e.** dramas	**h.** anime	**k.** romantic movies
c. fantasy movies	**f.** action movies	**i.** westerns	**l.** documentaries

2. What is your favourite movie of that genre?

3. Do you know who the director of that movie is?

4. Did you watch it in the original language or was it dubbed?

5. Who is in the cast that you like?

6. How would you describe the movie it? You can use some of the words below.

a. suspenseful

b. thought provoking

c. feel-good

d. fast-moving

e. sentimental

f. must see

g. hilarious

h. violent

i. realistic

j. frightening

k. original

l. family-friendly

7. Where and when does it take place?

8. What is it about?

9. What is its rating or what do you think it should be?

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a.	General Audience	**(G)**	Everyone is admitted.
b.	Parental Guidance Suggested	**(PG)**	It is not good for children.
c.	Parents Strongly Caution	**(PG-13)**	It is not good for children under 13.
d.	Restricted	**(R)**	It is not good for teenagers under 17.

10. On a scale from **0%** (*worst movie ever*) to **100%** (*best movie ever*), what score would you give your favourite movie?

STEP 3: Controlled and Communicative Exercises

- Go to https://www.rottentomatoes.com and search for your favourite movie.

Your favorite Movie

rating, year released, genre, length

TOMATOMETER
# of Reviews

AUDIENCE SCORE
Ratings

Your Favorite Movie
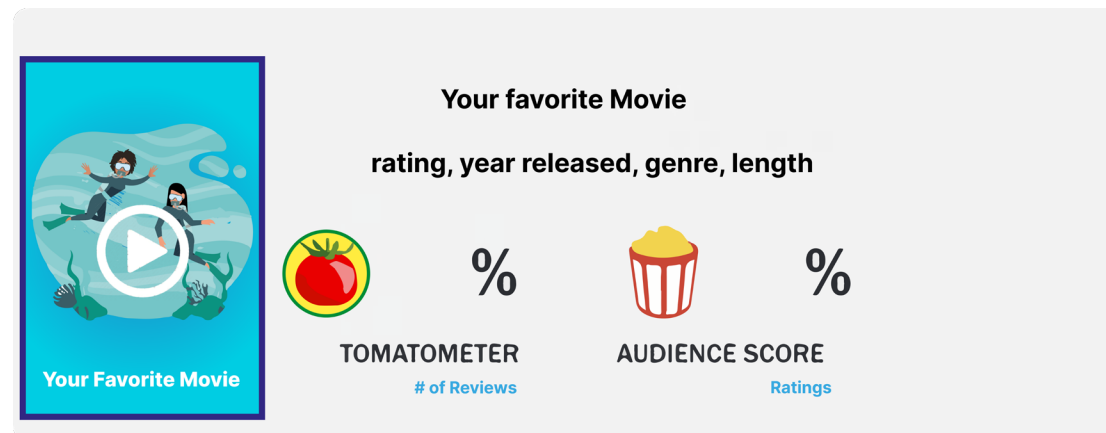
- **Note:** The *"Tomatometer"* shows the percentage of positive reviews by professional film critics.

Rotten Movies 0-59%

Good Movies 60%- 74%

Very Good Movies 75%- 100%
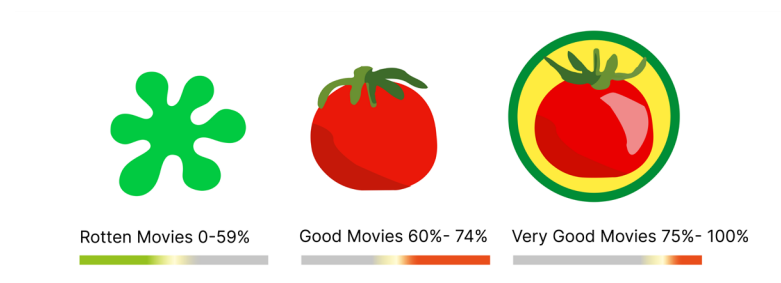
Answer the questions about your favourite movie.

1. What percentage of critics like the movie according to its Tomatometer?

2. What is its rating (GA, PG, PG-13, or R)? Do you agree with it?

3. When was it released?

4. What genre is it? Is that what you said?

5. How long is it?

6. Who gave the movie the most positive reviews: the critics or the audience?

7. Do you agree with the critics or the audience? Why?

WHAT TO KNOW

8. Click on the reviews and read a couple of good ones and a couple of bad ones.
Which ones do you agree with? Which ones don't you agree with? Why?

WHERE TO WATCH

9. Where can you watch it?

PHOTOS

10. Look through the PHOTOS. Tell your tutor what is happening in some of them.

MOVIE INFO

11. Read through the MOVIE INFO and summary of the movie. Does it mention anything that you didn't mention in your summary?

12. Click on the director. Which of his or her films do you know?

13. How much did it make?

CAST & CREW

14. Which actors in the cast do you know?

15. What was the main character role?

STEP 4: Production Task

1. Give a short presentation of your favourite film to your tutor. Cover the following points:

    - name

    - genre

    - director

    - where to watch it

    - main actors and their roles

    - summary

    - rating

    - critics' opinion

2. Will you use the Rotten Tomatoes website again? Why?

STEP 5: Final Review

- What new vocabulary did you learn?

Tutor Note
- Ask, " how do you say …." questions with the new vocabulary the tutee doesn't mention.

Important

- **Write down the words you learned today and study them.**

1.Rotten Tomatoes. (n.d.). Fandango Media. https://www.rottentomatoes.com