

You Be the Judge!



Armed with all this knowledge about cinema, you're ready to take on the coveted—not to mention fun—role of a movie critic. Choose any movie you like, preferably one you haven't seen before, and score each element of the film. Make sure to take notes while watching so you can refer to them later. Then, average your scores to get a final rating and you're on your way to becoming the next Roger Ebert!

Film Title:

Year:

Director:

Screenwriter:

Producer:

Composer:

Cinematographer:


Set Designer:

Costume Designer:

Main Actors:

Two Thumbs Up!

- Roger Ebert is likely the most famous American movie critic ever.
- With his TV show co-host, Gene Siskel, Ebert trademarked the term "Two Thumbs Up," bestowed upon a movie that they both like.
- He had a staggering 46-year career, from 1967 to his passing in 2013. Some estimate he has reviewed more than ten-thousand movies!
- Not only was he the first film critic to win the Pulitzer Prize for Criticism, but he also has a star on the Hollywood Walk of Fame.

 **Tip:** Find the above info in the credits at the end of the movie or on IMDb.com!

Background music
and sound

Notes:

Score

/5

Camera angles and zoom

Notes:

Score

/5

Color, shadows, and lighting	Notes:	Score /5
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Scenery, setting, and costumes	Notes:	Score /5
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Screenplay: dialogue and word choice	Notes:	Score /5
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Acting: actors' facial expressions, movement, etc.	Notes:	Score /5
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To get your rating for the overall film, add up your scores for each component and divide it by seven. Then color in the stars!

Final Score _____ /5

