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Movies and Main Ideas



Directions: Read the paragraph below.

The popularity of movies prompted some big changes from even more inventors and filmmakers. In 1899, the first silent animated cartoon was released to the public. *Humorous Phases of Funny Faces* was a short film that featured several chalkboard characters coming to life. By 1923, movie makers figured out how to add sound to films. In less than a decade, almost every film produced was a “talkie.”

Directions: Read the Questions column. Then find the answers in the paragraph and write the exact words in the Copied Text Information column. Lastly, reword the Copied Text Information to answer the question.

Questions	Copied Text Information	Reword Your Answer
What lead to big changes?		
Who made the big changes?		
In what year was the first silent film released?		
What film featured chalkboard characters?		
How long did it take for a film to become a “talkie”?		
What is the main idea of the paragraph?		