Film review (worksheet)

Activity 1
Vocabulary. What genres are the films on the posters? Match the posters with the words. Use sentence hints to help you.

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<th>musical</th>
<th>horror</th>
<th>comedy</th>
<th>fantasy</th>
<th>action</th>
<th>science-fiction</th>
<th>romantic-comedy</th>
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“Deadpool” made me laugh a lot. It’s the best __________ ever!

Ryan Gosling and Emma Stone had to sing and dance a lot in this new __________.

I like watching “The Avengers” and __________ films like this.

"The Exorcist" is probably one of the scariest __________ films of all time.
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<td>My kids like watching __________________.</td>
<td>“Despicable Me” is their favourite!</td>
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<td>“Fantastic Beasts and Where to Find Them” is the coolest ____________ film after “Harry Potter”!</td>
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<td>“Back to Future” is a ______________________ classics.</td>
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<td>“Pretty Woman” is one of the best _____________ I have ever seen.</td>
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Activity 2
Read the film review. Does the writer answer all these questions? Tick the questions the writer answers (√)
1. What is the title of the film?
2. What genre is it?
3. What is it about?
4. Is it based on a book?
5. Where is the film set?
6. When is the film set?
7. Who stars in the film?
8. Who plays other role(s)?
9. Who is your favourite character in the film? (Why?)
10. What kind of person would like this film?

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The Theory of Everything
Biographical drama, 2014

The Theory of Everything is about the scientist Stephen Hawking. The film is based on a book, 'Travelling to Infinity: My Life with Stephen' by his wife, Jane Wilde Hawking. The film is set in England and starts in the early 1960s. It tells the story of Hawking’s relationship with Jane, the diagnosis of his motor neuron disease and his success as a physicist.

I love the acting in this film. Eddie Redmayne stars as Hawking and Felicity Jones plays the role of Jane. My favourite character is Stephen Hawking because he is very clever and brave.

I think this is an ideal film for people who like true stories. It is a bit sad at times but the story is very interesting and there is a lot of action. I give The Theory of Everything ★★★★. Go and watch it soon!

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Activity 3
Look at the highlighted words in the text. Do you know what they mean?
Complete the gaps about films you know.

1. _______________ is about _____________.
2. _______________ is based on ______________.
3. _______________ is set in ________________.
4. _______________ tells the story of ________________.
5. I love _______________ about this film.
6. ___________ stars as __________ and __________ plays the role of __________.
7. I think this is an ideal film for ________________.

Activity 4
Writing process. Follow the steps to write your own film review.

1. Think of a film you have watched.
2. Make notes for each of the questions in Activity 2.
3. Write your review using the your notes and the model text. Use some of the words and phrases in bold. Write between 100 and 150 words.

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