

Digital Video Arts 1

15 points

Name: _____

Class: _____

Film Critique Worksheet

Watch any major-release feature length film (90+ minutes) that you have never seen before and complete the worksheet below based upon your reactions to the film. Back up your opinions with examples given in complete sentences. For example:

“The costume Kip (played by Aaron Ruell) wore after his girlfriend came to visit looked ridiculous on him, but the geeky gangster look was hilarious. Designer Jerusha Hess did a good job. It’s especially funny because he’s so skinny.”

Movie Title: _____

Use 3 adjectives to describe the beginning (first 10 minutes of the film)

1. _____ 2. _____ 3. _____

Example of why you chose one or all of those words:

Did you want the hero to succeed? _____

Why or why not? _____

What was the plot (in 10 words or less): _____

Is it a typical formula movie or something else? _____

Example as to why it is or isn't formula: _____

Did anything jump out or catch you off guard? _____

Example of a surprise in the film: _____

Name an actor and his/her character that was good: _____

Example of a scene in which they were best: _____

Would any other actor have been better? _____ Who? _____

What stood out about the camera work (circle): angles / color / movement / other

Give an example of a scene in which that is notable in the camera work:

Was the movie pacing (circle): fast / slow / normal / a mix / I fell asleep

Why do you think the movie was paced that way? _____

Give an example of a great use of music or costume in the film: _____

The 3 phrases I could use to describe this movie's themes are: 1. _____

2. _____ 3. _____

Is this a movie with timeless themes? _____

What didn't work so well for me was... _____

I would recommend this movie to: _____