

IELTS ENGLISH PODCAST. FILMS AND CINEMA. TRANSCRIPT

Part 1. Do You Enjoy Watching Films?

I do enjoy watching films, but I don't have that much free time, so it's difficult to watch even 3 or 4 in a year. I just rarely watch films. When I get the chance, so, for example, on an airplane, I recently went to the UK, so there's a lot of time you spend on the airplane. In that case, yeah, I'll watch 1 or 2 movies and I do enjoy it.

Part 1. Do You Prefer Watching Films At Home Or At The Cinema?

Definitely, I prefer watching films at home. I like the comfort, of being at home and it doesn't matter what kind of movie it is, whether it's a blockbuster or an older movie. I like to sit in front of Netflix or some other, TV station and watch a movie, eat some popcorn, relax with my family. I do enjoy that when we can.

Part 2. Describe A Film You Recently Watched.

I'd like to tell you about Lord of the Rings. A couple of weeks ago, I watched Lord of the Rings for perhaps the fifth or sixth time. I noticed it was on Netflix. It came up on my main page, and Lord of the Rings is perhaps my favourite movie. Certainly one of my favourite movies. The plot is so captivating. You know, this, this group of people, all these different characters go on a long journey for three films in a row. You know, it's part of a series and so it's 9 or 10 hours, the whole story and as I said, it's totally captivating and the scenery is stunning because it's based in or it was filmed in New Zealand and it's an incredible sight. You know, these mountains and of course there's some CGI on top of it.

So let me tell you a little more about Lord of the rings. This is, as fiction. It's a science now, not a science fiction. It's a fantasy. It's a fantasy genre and, it's about this character, Frodo, who takes a ring, and he has to get it into, Mount Doom, which is a volcano, but it's got such a nice balance of, you know, action and fantasy, magic and a heartwarming tale of this group of friends, especially the two best friends and their journey through difficulty. I think this is a really proven story type, you know, the hero's journey and, this is a classic case. Of course, it does come from a book originally, which I have read.

VOCABULARY

blockbuster movie (noun) - a very popular movie that lots of people go to see in the cinema.

cgi (noun) - special computer-made images or effects used in movies to make things look real, like dragons or spaceships.

fantasy (noun) - a type of story with magic, mythical creatures, or imaginary worlds.

genre (noun) - a category or type of story, like adventure, comedy, or mystery.

heartwarming (adjective) - something that makes you feel happy and good inside, often because it's kind or loving.

sight (noun) - something you can see, especially if it's interesting or beautiful.