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name:Date:Subject: EnglishLesson:Class: KS3Room:

TITLE: How to write a Movie Review from a Pet's Perspective

Aim of Lesson: Language and linguistics Empathy with pets and how they are treated

Multiple intelligences identified in the lesson (tick relevant box:)

Kinaesthetic















Resources: films, television.

LESSON ACTIVITIES

Objective:

Students will write contrasting film reviews from the point of view of two pets who disagree about a film – featuring animals.

Ask students to brainstorm films and television shows they enjoyed. What made the production so enjoyable? What is the criteria for a good show? (Likeable characters? Suspense? Intriguing setting? Humorous?)

List the criteria on the board. Ask students to brainstorm films or television shows with animals in starring or supporting roles (ie 101 Dalmatians). Choose a film or television show to talk about and identify one of the animal or pet characters. Ask students to imagine that they are a pet telling another pet about the film. Would the animal recommend the film? Refer back to the criteria but also consider the emotions of the pet.

Further Activities:

Creating Your Own Programmes

Game Show: Contestants match wits as they compete for pet prizes, like a year's supply of catnip or beef flavoured slippers.

Situation Comedy: A television show revolving around funny situations the main pet characters repeatedly fall into.

Drama: A serious series depicting real life conflicts between pets and pets, or pets and their owners.

Detective/Police drama: A fast paced programme, which often involves a pet detective solving a crime (Who stole the dog bone?).

News Magazine: A mix of news, weather, sports, interviews with pet celebrities and newsmakers, as well as in depth lifestyle features.

Talk show: A pet host interviews studio guest, and then follows up with questions from the audience. The guests may be celebrities or newsmakers. The host should be quick-witted.

Soap opera: A sentimental series about love and romance among pets

Reality Show: Real life film or taped footage or re-creations of actual events that relate to pet themes.

Sporting Program: Live or taped coverage of the Pet Olympics and other sporting events. For example; lily pad leaping for frogs, sky diving for birds, fly catching for dogs.