

How to write a LONG COMMENT



You write a comment – a short one or a longer one – under a post on the internet. You write it to share what you think.



1 Getting ideas for a movie night.

a. Tick (✓) or write your own idea.

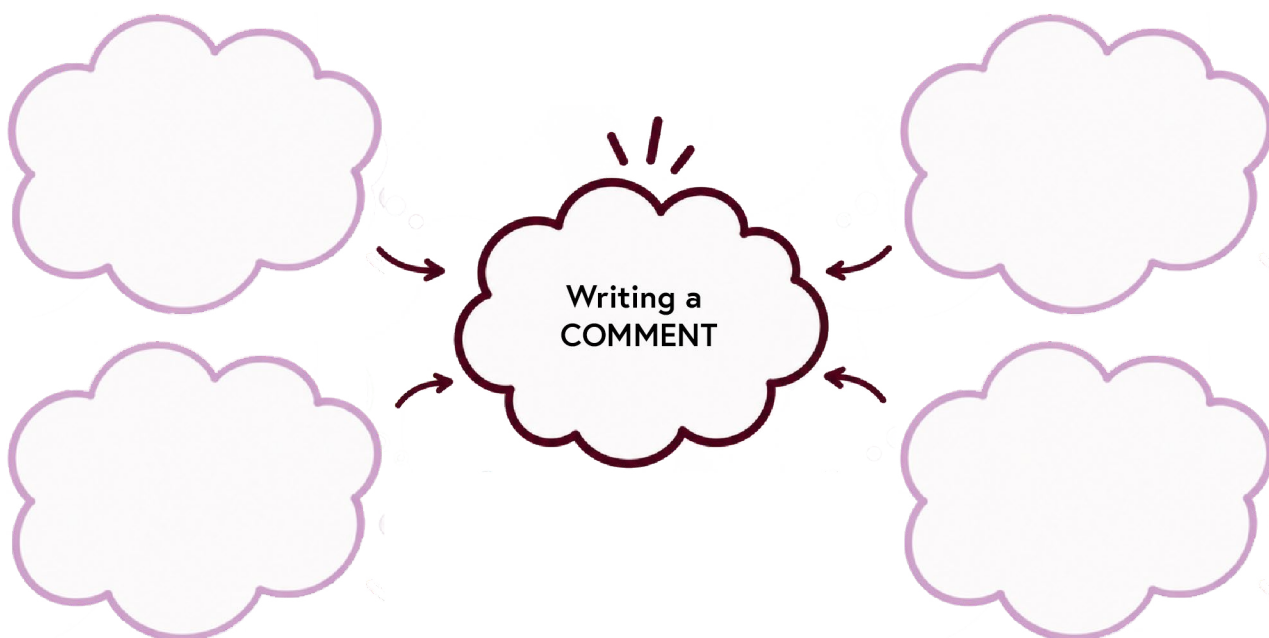
- You are planning a fun movie night at home. You want help with ideas for snacks and setting up the room. Who will you ask for tips?

☐ your best friend ☐ your parents ☐ social media ☐ _____
(your own idea)

- You want to watch an exciting movie, but don't know what to watch. Who will you ask for advice?

☐ a teacher ☐ an AI chatbot ☐ film fans online ☐ _____
(your own idea)

b. People often share ideas and discuss them in comments on social media. What do you do when you write a comment? Write your ideas in the thought bubbles.



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Read this writing task carefully. What does Daniel want help with?
Tick TRUE or FALSE.

	TRUE	FALSE
How to write a film review.	☐	☐
Having a movie night with friends.	☐	☐
Planning a movie night at school.	☐	☐
Finding a good movie to watch with friends.	☐	☐
Getting ideas to make the movie night fun.	☐	☐

You see Daniel's message online. You decide to leave a **comment**.

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Hi guys,

I want to do a movie night with my friends. What do I need for a great evening? Do you have any tips for me?

Daniel



LEAVE A REPLY

Comment

In your **comment** on Daniel's message, you should:

- describe an ideal movie night
- suggest a film or TV show
- say what kind of films or TV shows you enjoy

Write around **120–140** words.

3 Read these three openings (A–C) for a comment on Daniel’s message.

 The opening of a comment reacts to the original message.

a. Tick (✓) the best one.

A  @movie_pro ☐ The <i>Lord of the Rings</i> films are just the greatest. What I like best about them is...	B  @SteveS ☐ Hey Daniel! Yesterday I watched a movie with my family. The film was very long!	C  @maXx2012 ☐ A movie night is a great idea, Daniel! Here’s what I think you should do.
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b. Explain why. Cross out “works well” or “doesn’t work so well” and finish the sentences.

Opening A works well/doesn’t work so well because _____

Opening B works well/doesn’t work so well because _____

Opening C works well/doesn’t work so well because _____

4 Read the next part of the comment about an ideal movie night. Underline all the words and phrases that talk directly to Daniel.

 A good comment speaks directly to the reader.



@FilmNerd

Daniel, for a really good movie night, you should make your room as comfortable as possible. You could get some soft blankets, turn down the lights and make sure everyone has a nice place to sit. Don’t forget to buy some good snacks! They also help to create a relaxed atmosphere. If your friends feel comfortable, the whole evening will be much more fun.

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Read the bullet points and the first sentences (= topic sentences) for each bullet point.



Start a new paragraph for each bullet point. The first sentence of each paragraph tells the reader what that part is about. It's called "topic sentence".

- a. Match the topic sentences with the correct bullet points (1–3) of the task. Fill in the number (1, 2 or 3) in the box before each topic sentence.

Bullet points:	Topic sentences:
1 describe an ideal movie night	For me, movies and series must be funny. I want to laugh!
	You could watch a Disney movie like <i>Zoomania 2</i> .
2 suggest a film or TV show	You need to prepare a lot of things to have a perfect evening watching films.
	I just love action movies with wild car races and lots of explosions.
3 say what kind of films or TV shows you enjoy	Have you seen the <i>Minecraft</i> movie?
	Don't worry, it's not hard to have a wonderful time watching films.



A good comment gives some extra information about each bullet point.

- b. For each topic sentence, there is extra information. Match the extra information with the topic sentences (1–6).

1 For me, movies and series must be funny. I want to laugh!	For example, you should get some snacks and drinks before you start. It's also nice to make the room comfortable with blankets or pillows.
2 You could watch a Disney movie like <i>Zoomania 2</i> .	It's a fun film, especially if you like games and adventures. You could watch it with your friends because it's easy to follow and great for a movie night.
3 You need to prepare a lot of things to have a perfect evening watching films.	I enjoy films that make me smile and let me forget my problems. It's always more fun when you can laugh together with friends.
4 I just love action movies with wild car races and lots of explosions.	You only need a comfortable place and some good snacks. If you choose a movie that everyone likes, the evening will be great.
5 Have you seen the <i>Minecraft</i> movie?	It's a great film for a movie night because it's exciting and very colourful. I think most people will enjoy the story and the animals.
6 Don't worry, it's not hard to have a wonderful time watching films.	They are always fast and exciting, and they never get boring for me. I like watching them with friends because we can talk about the best scenes afterwards.



6 Film genres.

a. Write the genre from the box below each picture.

action	adventure	animation	comedy
crime	drama	documentary	fantasy
horror	mystery	romance	sci-fi



Bullet point 3 asks for a **kind of film (= genre)** you enjoy.



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b. Answer these questions:

Which is your favourite film genre? _____

Which film genre do you not like? _____

Write down two films you have watched recently. Which genres are they?



7 Giving tips and ideas.

Use different ways to express tips and ideas for what someone could do.

- a. Match the sentence beginnings (1–5) and endings. Fill in the numbers 1–5 before each ending.

1	If I were you,
2	You might want to
3	If you like,
4	What about
5	Maybe your friends have

	a fantasy movie like <i>Harry Potter</i> ?
	I'd choose a comedy film.
	an idea for a movie.
	you could have a sleepover after.
	watch a movie no one has seen yet.

- b. Now write your own tips and ideas for Daniel's movie night:

If I were you, I'd _____

You might want to _____

If you like, _____

What about _____

Maybe _____

8 Think back to what you've learned about writing comments. What are the three most important things you want to do when you write your own long comment?

My top three:

1

2

3



🔑 Use the **KEY** to check your answers.

