

How to write a LONG COMMENT – KEY



Check your answers. If you are not sure about an answer, ask your teacher.



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)

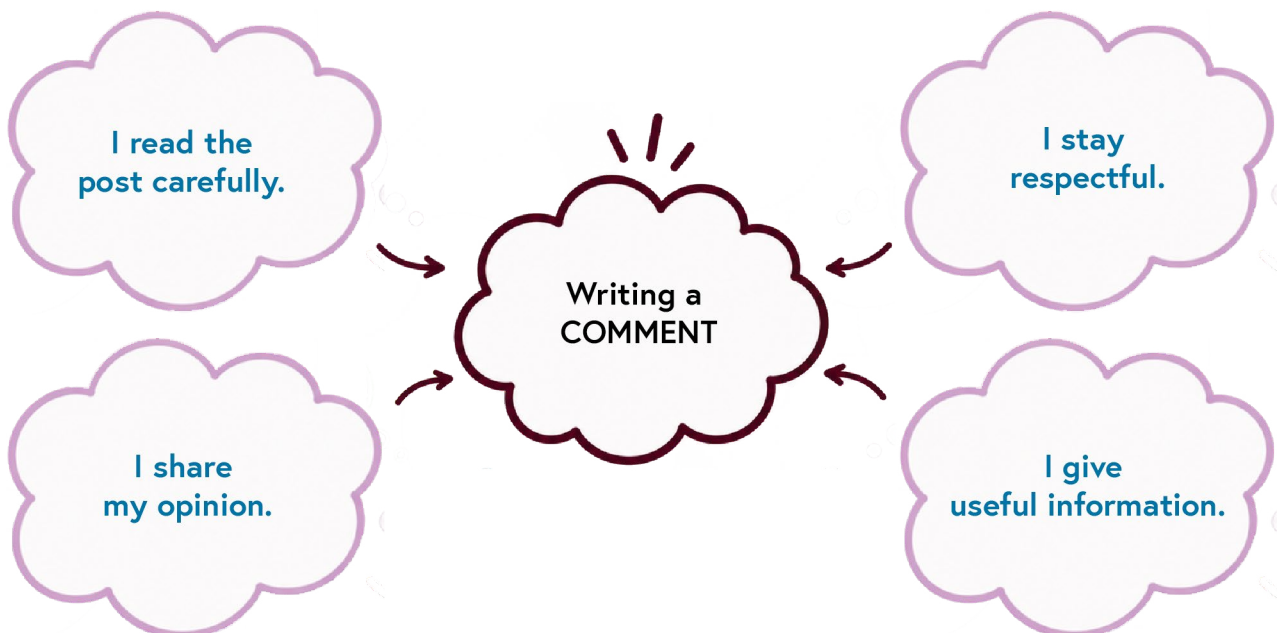
- You want to watch an exciting movie, but don't know what to watch. Who will you ask for advice?

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

→ All your answers (or your own ideas) are correct.

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.

These are some ideas:



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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

MOVIE NIGHT



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.



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.

A ~~works well~~/doesn't work so well because it isn't about Daniel's question.

B ~~works well~~/doesn't work so well because it talks about Steve's movie night with his family and does not give Daniel tips.

C works well/~~doesn't work so well~~ because it reacts directly to Daniel's question.

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



@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	3 For me, movies and series must be funny. I want to laugh!
	2 You could watch a Disney movie like <i>Zoomania 2</i> .
2 suggest a film or TV show	1 You need to prepare a lot of things to have a perfect evening watching films.
	3 I just love action movies with wild car races and lots of explosions.
3 say what kind of films or TV shows you enjoy	2 Have you seen the <i>Minecraft</i> movie?
	1 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!	3 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> .	5 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.	1 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.	6 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?	2 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.	4 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.



fantasy



documentary



crime



action



adventure



horror



mystery



comedy



drama



animation



sci-fi



romance

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?

→ All your answers are correct.

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

4	a fantasy movie like <i>Harry Potter</i> ?
1	I'd choose a comedy film.
5	an idea for a movie.
3	you could have a sleepover after.
2	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 ask my friends which film we should watch.

You might want to put some pillows and blankets on the sofa to make it cosy.

If you like, you could dress up for the movie night.

What about making your own popcorn and preparing snacks together before the film?

Maybe you and your friends can set up the room together.

→ These are just some examples, ask your teacher to check your answers.

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?

These are just some ideas:

My top three:

- 1 I'll start a new paragraph for each bullet point.
- 2 I'll use different ways to express tips and ideas.
- 3 I'll talk to the person who wrote the posting directly in my comment.



WRITE YOUR OWN LONG COMMENT