Movie review writing guide

I. Introduction

A. An attention getter to get people interested in your review (perhaps give an idea of your feelings, impressions or expectations) You may like to include the following:

B. Name of movie

C. Mention director

D. Type of movie

E. Setting

II. Background

A. Talk about actors/actresses

B. Background (How long have they been around? Are they well known in movies)

C. What characters do they play?

D. Do they give good performances? Is the acting good?

Give examples

III. Plot

A. Briefly describe the plot

B. Is the story good? Why/Why not?

IV. Describe the movie's impressive qualities

(choose some of the following or other qualities you can think of)

A. Cinematography

B. Soundtrack

C. Best scenes (Give examples)

D. Special effects

E. Emotional effect

V. Overall rating and final comments

- A. Rate on a scale of 1-10 or give a letter grade
- B. Will fans be happy or disappointed?
- C. Why should people see or not see this movie?
- C. Concluding comment. i.e. lesson or meaning of movie