

# STUDY REFERENCE

## LISTENING Talking about a movie

### Vocabulary

<b>predictable</b>	<i>adj</i>	happening in the way you expect <i>If a film is too <b>predictable</b> it can be boring.</i>
<b>twist</b>	<i>noun</i>	unexpected change in a story <i>Many good movies have at least one <b>twist</b> in the story.</i>
<b>lose interest</b>	<i>verb</i>	to stop being interested <i>If a movie is boring, viewers will <b>lose interest</b> in watching.</i>
<b>hilarious</b>	<i>adj</i>	very funny <i>Comedy films are usually <b>hilarious</b>.</i>
<b>plot</b>	<i>noun</i>	story or sequence of events in a movie or novel <i>Recently movie <b>plots</b> are very difficult to follow.</i>
<b>gripping</b>	<i>adj</i>	very exciting or interesting <i>James Bond movies are very <b>gripping</b>.</i>
<b>mediocre</b>	<i>adj</i>	not very good quality <i>The acting in a B movie is usually <b>mediocre</b>.</i>
<b>flop</b>	<i>noun</i>	failure <i>If a film is a <b>flop</b> it loses a lot of money.</i>



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### Listening Practice: Transcript

- Jasmin:** Hi, Archie. Didn't I see you at the movies last night?
- Archie:** Yeah. I didn't see you, though.
- Jasmin:** I was 3 rows in front of you. I waved, but you didn't see me.
- Archie:** That was because it was so exciting. I wouldn't have noticed if you'd jumped up and down in front of me.
- Jasmin:** So you really enjoyed it?
- Archie:** Yeah, it was terrific — just my kind of movie. Did you like it?
- Jasmin:** Not really. The plot was too predictable. I knew halfway through how it was going to end. After that, I began to lose interest. I actually fell asleep for about 10 minutes!
- Archie:** I don't believe it! How about the special effects? They were just awesome!
- Jasmin:** I guess they were pretty good, but I'm not too wild about special effects. My idea of a good movie is one that has interesting characters and a gripping plot that leaves you guessing until the very end. My favorite movies are psychological thrillers.
- Archie:** But what about the unexpected twist just before the end?
- Jasmin:** It wasn't a twist for me — I knew something like that was going to happen.
- Archie:** Didn't you even like the ending? It was amazing!
- Jasmin:** I'm sorry, but I just found it hilarious. I knew what the actors were going to say before they said it. To me, everything about the movie was mediocre.
- Archie:** Well, even though one of the critics said it was going to be a flop, it's doing very well at the box-office, so you're in the minority.
- Jasmin:** That's okay — I can live with that!

