



Kids' Films

Part 1

Teacher Reads Many people enjoy watching movies. But how many people know what it takes to make those movies? The Youth Cinema Project is an organization that teaches kids about making movies. People who work in the movie industry provide expert guidance to kids in California to help them make their own movies.

Some adults who work on **movies** began the Youth
9 Cinema Project for kids. The project's goal was to help kids
20 produce movies. The adults coach the kids on the steps in
31 the production of a film.

36 Kids attend movie workshops at school. The movie
44 professionals explain each step in making a movie, but the
54 kids complete the hands-on jobs. The adults are there to
65 teach the skills. The kids are there to learn the skills.



Part 2

Teacher Reads There are many different jobs involved in the making of a movie. The director is in charge of everything. The crew does the work behind the camera, such as lighting, costumes, and special effects. The cast is the actors who appear in front of the camera. The kids will be the director, the crew, and the actors.

76 The kids work in teams to produce their movies.

85 There are many tasks that need to happen. First, team

95 members discuss topics and plan the movie. Next, the

104 kids write a script, which outlines what the actors will

114 say and do in the movie. Then the kids edit the script to

127 improve it. Some kids may be part of the cast, acting in

139 the movie. Some kids work on filming the actors as they

150 perform. After the movie is filmed, it needs to be edited.

161 The editors may cut, reorder, or trim film shots as they

172 make the final movie.

Part 3

Teacher Reads Before a commercial movie is shown to the public (you and me), a special screening takes place in a movie theater. At this screening, invited guests, the movie director, the actors, and the entire crew view the movie and then tell the audience certain things about it. This is also what happens in the Youth Cinema Project.

176 All of the kids' work leads to a finished movie.

186 The finished movie is shown at a screening in a theater

197 to the kids, their parents, their friends, and people

206 from the community. When the filmmakers get glowing

214 feedback on their production, they feel fantastic.

221 This movie project can be a pathway to a career.

231 Some kids continue with movie training. They may

239 grow up to follow in the path of the adults they

250 worked with.

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