

# Movie Night with the BBFC

## *Star Wars*

*Episode VII: The  
Force Awakens*

*Episode VIII: The  
Last Jedi*

*Episode IX: The  
Rise of Skywalker*

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## Coming together as a family is more important than ever, so why don't you grab some popcorn and a blanket, head to the sofa, and throw a good old fashioned movie night!

This pack will contain everything you need to set up a fun film night. We've included a film suggestion, along with information about the age rating and ratings info. This pack also includes a fun, film-related activity section - and some discussion points at the end, so when the credits roll, you can have a discussion with your kids about what you've all just seen.

This pack will set you up to watch *Star Wars Episode VII: The Force Awakens*, *Star Wars Episode VIII: The Last Jedi* and *Star Wars Episode IX: The Rise of Skywalker*

### What you'll need:

- Popcorn, or another yummy movie snack, what's your family's favourite?
- A blanket, slipper socks, and PJs! You're at home on your sofa, so you might as well get comfy!
- Turn the lights down low, or even better turn them off completely to get that authentic cinema experience.
- Ask your family to design their own tickets, and hand them over to you at the door. They just need to include the film title, the age rating and ratings info, and the price that you'd like to charge.
- You can also ask your children to draw a poster advertising the film night - including a drawing of the main character, the age rating and ratings info. Don't forget to advertise what time you're going to start your movie night!
- You can stream all three of the films on Disney +, NOW TV, iTunes, or Amazon Prime.



## What do parents need to know?

Here's a round up of everything you need to know before you press play and watch the trilogy with your children. It includes a short synopsis for each film as well as the long ratings info that you can find on our website. This tells you all the category defining moments in the film.

### About the age ratings:

These films are rated 12 and unlike U and PG, this age rating restricts who can buy or rent home media. 12 films deal with more complicated storylines and difficult ideas that may be too challenging for younger children. 12 ratings are used on video-on-demand films and DVDs. No one under 12 may buy or rent a 12-rated DVD. A 12 rating on a video-on-demand film also means that the content and tone of the film is likely to be more suitable for a child aged 12 or over to watch at home or on a tablet.

### ***Star Wars Episode VII: The Force Awakens***

#### Synopsis:

*Star Wars Episode VII: The Force Awakens* (2015) is set three decades after the Empire's defeat, as a new threat arises in the militant First Order. Defected stormtrooper Finn and the scavenger Rey are caught up in the Resistance's search for the missing Luke Skywalker.

#### Ratings Info:

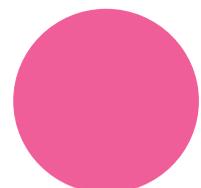
##### Violence

There are frequent scenes of moderate violence, including use of blasters and lightsabers, and dogfights between spaceships. Sight of blood and injury detail is limited and brief.

##### Threat

Occasional scenes of moderate threat include characters being interrogated using 'the Force', which it is implied causes them pain, and characters being held at lightsaber-point.

There is infrequent use of very mild bad language ('hell', 'damn').



## **Star Wars Episode VIII: The Last Jedi**

### **Synopsis:**

*Star Wars Episode VIII: The Last Jedi* (2017) is about Rey developing her newly discovered abilities with the guidance of Luke Skywalker, who is unsettled by the strength of her powers. Meanwhile, the Resistance battle the evil First Order.

### **Ratings Info:**

#### **Violence**

Moderate violence includes gunfights, aerial dogfights between spaceships, and use of lightsabers and other hand-held weapons. Blood and injury detail is limited and brief.

There is occasional mild threat and infrequent mild bad language ('ass', 'bastard', 'bloody').

## **Star Wars Episode IX: The Rise of Skywalker**

### **Synopsis:**

*Star Wars Episode IX: The Rise of Skywalker* (2019) is the final part of the trilogy in which the surviving members of the resistance face the First Order once again, and the legendary conflict between the Jedi and the Sith reaches its peak bringing the Skywalker saga to its end.

### **Ratings Info:**

#### **Violence**

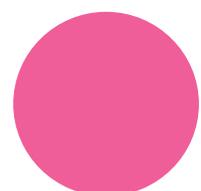
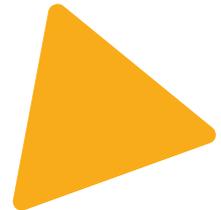
Fights with fantastical weapons include impalements and brief sight of blood and injury. A character's face is melted by fantastical energy.

#### **Threat and horror**

A young woman finds herself alone amidst an arena of sinister enemies, taunted by their leader. A character briefly becomes fanged and demonic.

There is infrequent mild bad language, including 'ass', as well as use of milder terms such as 'hell' and 'damn'. There are mild upsetting scenes

*This work contains flashing images which may affect viewers who are susceptible to photosensitive epilepsy.*





Use this space to draw a character from the films, or you could also use it to draw a movie poster advertising your film night! Don't forget to use bright colours, and be as creative as you like! We'd love to see your creation, so your parents can take a photo of it and tag the BBFC in it on social media:



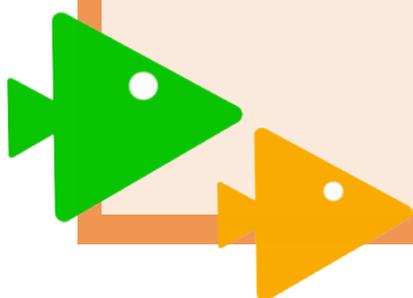
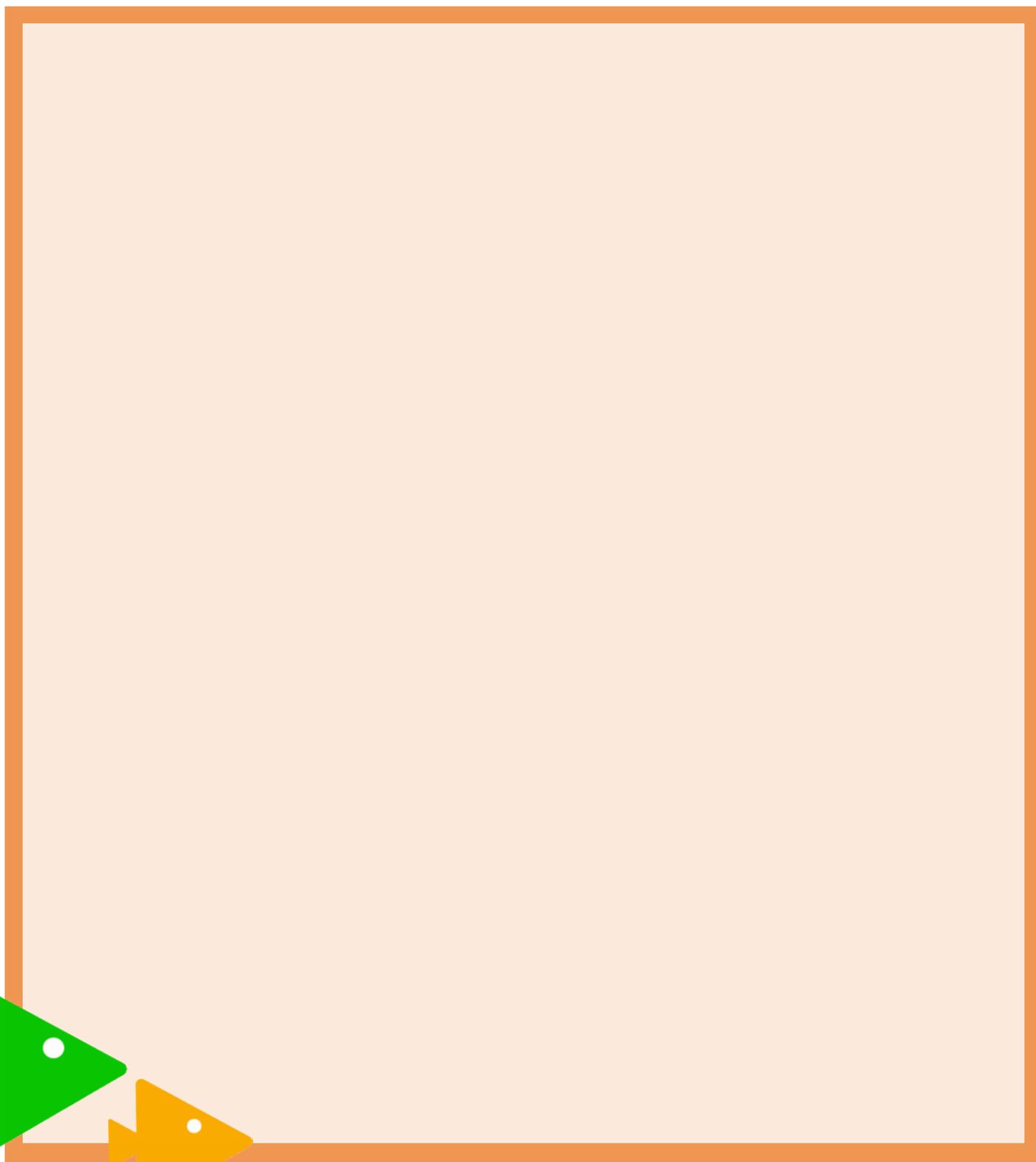
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## For the whole family: Now it's time to talk about the films



Did you enjoy the films? How did they make you feel? Were there any bits of the story that you didn't like? Who was your favourite character? Did you learn anything, if so what?



Do you agree with the BBFC age ratings? Would you add or remove anything? Is it helpful to know about what is in a film before you watch it?



How do you think these recent films are similar to the original trilogy? How are they different?



Rey is one of the main characters in these films, how does her journey mirror that of Luke Skywalker? How is it different throughout the films?



Another main character is Kylo Ren. How does his journey mirror those of Luke and Anakin Skywalker? What do you think are the main scenes where he chooses his path?



These films teach us that good and evil are often intertwined, and are full of grey areas. Which characters do you think are truly good, and truly evil? Why? What choices do they make to take them down these paths?



In these films, The Empire has regrouped as The New Order. What similarities and differences are there between the two regimes?



What role do women play in these films? How are the female characters different in these films than the original trilogy, and the prequels?



What does this film teach you about friendship? Which characters do you think have the strongest friendships? Why? Which character would you like to be your best friend, and why?