Vocabulary/ Expressions	
a box office hit	(n) a financially successful film
to catch the latest movie	(v) to see a film that has just come out
the central character	(n) the main person in a film or book
the setting	(n) where the action takes place
showings	(n) performances of a film
soundtrack	(n) the music that accompanies a film
special effects	(n) the visuals or sounds that are added to a film which are difficult to produce naturally
a <mark>blockbuste</mark> r	(n) a film that is a big commercial success
a s <mark>equ</mark> el	(n) a book, movie, etc., that continues a story begun in another book, movie, etc.
a trilogy	(adj) a series of three novels, movies, etc., that are closely related and involve the same characters or themes

# PART 1 QUESTIONS

Here are possible questions that might come up during the test. Go over them with your tutor.

## Topic

- · Do you like to watch films?
- How often do you go to a cinema or watch a movie?
- What was the first film that you watched?

## PART 2&3 QUESTIONS

Here are possible questions that might come up during the test. Go over them with your tutor.

## Sample A

## Part 2 Questions

- Describe a film that you have recently seen. You should say:
  - what the film was
  - · when and where you saw it
  - what the film was about
  - o and explain how you felt about this film.

## Part 3 Questions

- · What kinds of films are popular in your country?
- · Why do you think some people prefer going to the cinema to watching films at home?



## Part 1 Questions

#### Do you like to watch films?

I'm really into watching films because some films are very entertaining and provoking. I
sometimes go to the cinema with my friends and family to enjoy our leisure time on the
weekends.

## · How often do you go to a cinema or watch a movie?

I go the the cinema to watch movies from time to time. Normally if I'm not busy with my
work, I'll check out the movies to see whether there are any movies that attract me; but if I
have lots of things on my hands, I'll probably focus on my work.

#### · What was the first film that you watched?

The first film that I watched was the Lion King many years ago in the cinema with my
parents. What I can remember now is the terrific animation and the amazing soundtrack, i
particularly liked the song Can You Feel the Love Tonight that I knew it was produced by
Elton John. And I've learned lessons from this movie. It is about living up to our
responsibilities, no matter how hard it is.

# PART 2&3 ANSWERS

Here are some sample answers. Go over them with your tutor.

## Sample A

## Part 2 Questions

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  - and explain how you felt about this film.

A film that I saw recently was called The Passion of the Christ. I was in my hometown when I saw it when it first came out a few years ago.

The film was about the last 24 hours of Jesus' life on earth. It showed when he was in the garden before he was captured and brought before a trial all the way up to when he was crucified and rose up again from out of the grave. It was actually quite moving because the director, Mel Gibson, actually put his own money into making the picture, so he was able to just do it the way that he wanted it done. This movie caused quite an uproar when it was realized as some people really loved it and others hated it. It was in the news for a long time with a lot of debating going on over it. It ended up making quite a bit of money for Mel Gibson.

Everything about it was very beautiful, from the cinematography to the actual scenery. The acting was top-notch. I think the main actor deserved an Academy Award but anyway I enjoyed it very much. One of the hardest scenes for me to watch in the movie was where "Jesus gets whipped before he is crucified. It was so realistic and I had to hide my eyes

## **Part 3 Questions**

- What kinds of films are popular in your country?
  - I live in Mumbai where Bollywood blockbusters are the most popular. Hollywood films also attract people, but they are not as popular as Bollywood films. Local films are more popular than international films in my country. Bollywood films are popular throughout North India. All the four states in South India have their own film industries. For example, in Kerala, Malayalam films are more popular than films made in other languages.
- . Why do you think some people prefer going to the cinema to watching films at home?
  - I personally like to watch films at home. I wouldn't like it if someone sitting next to me yelled every time the hero punched the villain. I prefer the quiet atmosphere of my home to the commotion inside the cinema theatre. I know a lot of people enjoy going to the cinema. I think that is because they need a change from home. Also, I have heard that image quality and sound quality are better when you watch a film in the cinema. However, in my opinion, this is no longer true. Many home entertainment systems are capable of producing high-quality sounds and pictures.