

# Film Club

## Word List

### **genre** (countable noun)

a particular style used in cinema or other art forms which can be recognised by specific features; a type

- The film has been called a crime or mystery movie, but in regard to **genre**, I think it is definitely a drama.
- **Common collocations:** movie genre, film genre, favourite genre
- **Pronunciation:** /'ʒɒnrə/

### **plot twist** (countable, compound noun)

a literary technique where the story or plot undergoes a dramatic and unexpected change

- I don't think I want to see *Sixth Sense*, because someone told me the **plot twist**, and I won't be surprised at the end.
- **Common collocations:** movie plot twist, film plot twist
- **Pronunciation:** /plot twist/

### **turning point** (countable, compound noun)

a point in a story where a significant event takes place, or something important is revealed

- The **turning point** of the story came when the hero realised that he was wrong about his past, and needed to change his ways.
- **Common collocations:** major turning point, crucial turning point
- **Pronunciation:** /'tɜ:(r)niŋ point/

### **mind-blowing** (adjective)

extremely impressive, exciting, or shocking

- This director is famous for his film's **mind-blowing** endings, which shock and impress the audience.
- **Common collocations:** mind-blowing special effects, completely mind-blowing
- **Pronunciation:** /'maɪnd ,bləʊɪŋ/

### **spine-chilling** (adjective)

a spine-chilling scene in a film inspires terror, or terrified excitement

- Horror films are known for their **spine-chilling** moments where litres of fake blood are used to depict terrifying scenes.
- **Common collocations:** spine-chilling scene, utterly spine-chilling
- **Pronunciation:** /'spaɪn tʃɪlɪŋ/



## heartwarming (adjective)

making you feel happy; usually because people are being kind

- If you aren't into horror films, then I recommend romantic comedies, which are known for their light-hearted and **heartwarming** moments.
- **Word family:** to warm one's heart (verb phrase)
- **Common collocations:** heartwarming moment, heartwarming scene
- **Pronunciation:** /'hɑ:(r)t,wɔ:(r)mɪŋ/

## thought-provoking (adjective)

interesting in a way that makes you think, or changes your attitude towards something

- A well made documentary is informative and **thought-provoking**; it makes you want to learn more about the world.
- **Common collocations:** (a) thought-provoking film, book, or idea, thought-provoking conversation
- **Pronunciation:** /'θɔ:t prə,vʊkɪŋ/

## far-fetched (adjective)

difficult to believe because it is highly unlikely

- The plot of that science fiction movie was a bit too **far-fetched** for my taste; there's no way we'll be living on Mars by 2025.
- **Common collocations:** (a) far-fetched idea or story, to be or seem far-fetched
- **Pronunciation:** /,fɑ:(r) 'fetʃt/

## hard-hitting (adjective)

making criticisms in a very strong, direct, honest way

- Her **hard-hitting speech** gave an honest critique of the USA's inaction on climate change.
- **Common collocations:** hard-hitting report, hard-hitting documentary
- **Pronunciation:** /,hɑ:(r)d 'hɪtɪŋ/

