

What is an Into Film Club?

Into Film clubs are free for state funded school and non-school settings, such as youth clubs, cinemas and libraries. Clubs give children and young people the opportunity to watch, discuss and review films, as well as training and online resources to make their own films.

Club leaders receive free access to:

- Resources
- Support
- CPD training
- Filmmaking
- Industry interactions
- DVD Catalogue
- Competitions



Case study – Scotland:

Rosshall Academy, Glasgow, Ashleigh Evans, Modern Languages Teacher

Why it works

Old slapstick style comedy *The Goonies* was loved by our group. The students were really enthusiastic and eager to write their first reviews. This allowed us to move on to heavier films which tackled important issues such as *The Boy in the Striped Pyjamas* and *Cry Freedom*. Both films were popular with the group and inspired lots of discussion and debate afterwards.

I would recommend starting with a light-hearted comedy which appeals to all students so they are engaged and interested in attending the club regularly. Once the club has started to meet on a more regular basis you can then look at introducing a wider variety of films such as stop motion animation.

As a Modern Languages Teacher, I always try to recommend foreign language films to our members. We recently watched *Valentin*, an Argentinian Spanish language film, which the group really enjoyed and it provided them with a fantastic insight into another culture and way of life.

Results

Film is a fantastic tool for the Curriculum for Excellence and especially for modern languages. In the last year we have used film studies extensively throughout the Broad General Election and also into the Senior Phase. The response from students is overwhelmingly positive – so much so that they constantly ask us for more of the same.

A colleague and I organised a foreign film festival in our department during the week running up to the Oscars. Every lunchtime students had the opportunity to watch Spanish and French films. Their appetite was immense! They were easily able to relate to the films and it made foreign languages seem so much more accessible. I cannot recommend the use of film in the classroom highly enough.

Facts about Into Film in your region:

827 active film clubs in Scotland

33,629 attendees took part in the Into Film Festival 2014 in Scotland

In May 2015, 412 reviews were submitted to the Into Film website from Scotland, 5 of which won 'review of the week'.

So what are you waiting for? Join Into Film today and explore the opportunities available. Visit www.intofilm.org now to get started.