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	Title	Year	Rating	Thumbnail Summary and Review
	M.O. of the M.I., The	2004	☆☆	Love, betrayal, and murder in the gay community - not very good - reasonable story but bad, bad acting
	Ma Ma	2015	☆☆☆☆☆	Spanish - Penélope Cruz is extraordinary in this story of a woman with terminal cancer who becomes pregnant and her effects upon those who love her
	Ma Mère	2005	☆☆	French - take every form of perverted sex that you know - put them into a boring movie and you've got this thing
	Ma Vie En Rose [My Life in Pink]	1997	☆☆☆☆	Belgium - strange, quirky tale of a seven year old boy who decides he should be a girl - both comic and serious moments along with a touch of fantasy
	Mac	1993	☆☆☆☆	A film by John Turturro that is a tribute to his father - a construction worker concerned with high quality - interesting study of how a principled man can alienate those around him
	Machete	2010	☆☆☆☆	Spoof of action flicks turned out to be better than expected mainly because of the great tongue-in-cheek humor that makes up for the extremely bloody violence
	Machine Gun Preacher	2011	☆☆☆☆	Unusual story based upon the life of a former Pennsylvania drug dealer who fights for orphaned children in the Sudan - entertaining
	Machinist, The	2004	☆☆☆☆	Psychological thriller about a gaunt man who can't sleep and the reason why - amazing physical transformation of the star, Christian Bale
	Mad About Mambo	2000	☆☆☆☆	Irish - in Belfast, a young Catholic boy wants to play soccer and starts dancing lessons to improve his footwork - finds a girl and falls in love - not brain surgery but pleasant and entertaining
	Mad Adventures of Rabbi Jacob, The	1974	☆☆	French - slapstick about a rabbi visiting France for a wedding - the French should stick to food and wine
	Mad Love [Juana la Loca (Joan the Mad)]	2001	☆☆☆☆	Spanish - story of Queen Isabella's daughter who was probably schizophrenic and her love for her husband - great drama and storytelling
	Mad Men	2007	☆☆☆☆	Intriguing television series about the advertising business and life in the 1960's - a little weak in the final season but still very entertaining
	Mad Money	2008	☆☆☆☆	Enjoyable crime caper flick in which women working at the mint steal the old money to be destroyed - very likable characters - fun
	Madagascar Skin	1996	☆☆	Surreal view of love found between two lonely men - even the great actors in the leads can't save this turkey
	Madame Sata	2002	☆☆☆☆	Brazilian - film about a flamboyant 30's and 40's character who was known in Rio - atmospheric - intriguing
	Madame X	1966	☆☆☆☆☆	Supreme melodrama about a woman who is blackmailed by her mother-in-law and forced to desert her husband and child - still gets me after all (45) these years
	Made for Each Other	2009	☆☆	Absurd story about a young married couple who has not had sex since their wedding - worthless
	Made in Deganham	2010	☆☆☆☆☆	Little known story of a group of women working at a Ford plant in Great Britain who lead a strike for equal pay for women - great story and characters

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	Madea's Witness Protection	2012	☆☆☆	Mildly entertaining silliness in which Madea provides shelter for a Caucasian family
	Mademoiselle	2001	☆☆☆	French - one of those low-keyed, strange French films about an overnight stand by a married woman - just barely three stars
	Mademoiselle Chambon	2009	☆☆☆☆	French - slow moving, moody story of a husband who becomes attracted to his son's teacher - interesting, introspective character study
	Made-Up	2004	☆☆	Flat, lifeless look at middle aged people accepting the fact of age
	Madness of King George, The	1994	☆☆☆☆	The story of George III with a look at his dementia - good acting and some interesting insight into medical practices of the time
	Magdalene Sisters, The	2002	☆☆☆☆	True story of the way "wayward" girls in Ireland were treated by the community and the Catholic Church - scary because the treatment continued into modern times - the documentary about the three girls upon whom most of the film is based is heartbreaking
	Maggie's Plan	2015	☆☆	Tedious story of a woman who can't seem to make any commitments in life
	Magic in the Moonlight	2014	☆☆	Woody Allen hits a directing low in this so-called romantic comedy - not much here to see or enjoy
	Magic Mike	2012	☆☆☆	Stripper with a heart of gold story - only this time the stripper is male - mildly entertaining - just barely three stars
	Magic of Belle Isle, The	2012	☆☆☆	Good acting and interesting characters, but a weak premise in this tale of a lonely old man whose life is revived by contact with the family next door to his vacation house
	Magicians	2007	☆☆☆	Understated British humor about former magician partners who meet at a competition - some good parts but mostly ho-hum - just barely three stars
	Magnificent Ambersons, The	2000	☆	Television version of the classic suffers from extreme over-acting, especially by Jonathan Rhys Meyers as the lead character
	Magnolia	1999	☆	One of those that the critics loved and I hated - guess I'm just not "in"
	Maid in Manhattan	2002	☆☆☆	The working girl falls in love with the rich man - watchable
	Maid to Order	1987	☆☆☆	A spoiled rich woman is turned into a penniless person as a result of a wish - she finds out how to be a good human being working as a maid - camp but lots of fun
	Maid, The [La Nana]	2009	☆☆☆☆	Chilean - a maid who has worked for a family for twenty years is disgruntled and reacts negatively to most anything - especially the family's attempt to get her some help - interesting character study
	Maiden Heist, The	2008	☆☆☆☆	Heist comedy about three aged gallery guards who plot to steal their favorite works of art before they are shipped to another gallery - lots of fun - great acting
	Main Street	2011	☆☆☆☆	Interesting character study about several people in a small, dying Southern town who are affected by a man who comes to town promoting setting of a hazardous waste treatment plant - slow moving but very entertaining
	Majestic, The	2001	☆☆☆☆	Jim Carrey plays it straight in this story of small town values - sentimental but very entertaining

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	Majority of One, A	1961	☆☆☆	Rosalind Russell as a Jewish widow who moves to Japan with her daughter and son-in-law and meets a Japanese widower - outdated but entertaining
	Make the Yuletide Gay	2009	☆☆☆	Standard plot in which a gay man goes home for the holidays and is surprised by his lover - nothing special but some good lines and interesting characters
	Making Love	1982	☆☆☆☆	Granted that this is a pretty predictable melodrama but it was groundbreaking in its time for an accurate depiction of a gay relationship and its effects upon a marriage - click to read a comparison of this film with <i>Brokeback Mountain</i>
	Making of a Lady, The	2014	☆☆☆☆	A Victorian woman gets herself involved with a mysterious family - lots of melodrama - very entertaining
	Making the Boys	2009	☆☆☆	Documentary about the writer, the cast, the producers, and the times of the late 1960's and the production of the play and movie, <i>The Boys in the Band</i> - interesting insights
	Making War Horse	2009	☆☆☆☆	Fascinating documentary about the creation of the London production of <i>War Horse</i> which featured puppets playing the parts of the animals
	Making Waves	2004	☆☆☆	Story of two lonely people who meet via shortwave radio - standard far but likeable characters
	Malèna	2000	☆☆☆☆	Italian - coming of age in WWII Sicily - boy is infatuated with young bride - victim of small minds - great flick
	Malibu's Most Wanted	2003	☆☆☆	Surprisingly entertaining comedy about a rich white kid who wants to be a rapper
	Malice Aforethought	2005	☆☆☆☆	Extremely melodramatic two part British mini series about a philandering doctor who murders his wife - lots of fun
	Mambo Italiano	2003	☆☆☆	A gay man in a traditional Italian family - not bad, really
	Mame	1974	☆☆☆	Lucille Ball as Mame makes this somewhat of a strange version of the musical but the whole thing is moderately entertaining
	Mamma Mia!	2008	☆☆☆	Fairly entertaining musical with lots of good songs and a fairly weak plot
	Mamma Mia! Here We Go Again	2018	☆☆☆☆	Great musical numbers in this sequel that tells of the early life of the group and the continuing story on the Greek isle - lots of fun
	Mammoth	2009	☆☆	Three people suffer life crises - good acting but way too long and slow moving
	Mammuth	2010	☆☆	French - absurd comedy about a man traveling across France in order to get certifications of past employment - situations too over-the-top to enjoy
	Man About Town	2006	☆☆☆	This farce about the trials of a Hollywood agent just barely gets three stars, but it has some good moments
	Man Called Ove, A [En Man Som Heter Ove]	2015	☆☆☆☆☆	Swedish - extremely witty dark comedy/drama about a widower who decides to end his life, but his neighbors and their problems keep interfering - great characters
	Man Called Sarge, A	1990	☆	Poorly done spoof of a story of a group of soldiers in North Africa during WWII
	Man Down	2015	☆☆	A former Marine searching for his wife and son in an apocalyptic United States - macho bullshit
	Man for All Seasons, A	1966	☆☆☆☆☆	My all-time favorite movie and the conflict between Henry VIII and Sir Thomas More

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	Man from Elysian Fields, The	2002	☆☆☆☆	Dark drama about a man who resorts to becoming an escort - really interesting plot and characters
	Man from Snowy River, The	1982	☆☆☆☆☆	This Australian coming of age story is a little hokey but is blessed with interesting characters, spectacular scenery, exquisite music, and those wonderful horses
	Man I Love, The	1997	☆☆☆☆	French - strange but entertaining film about a gay guy who seduces a straight guy
	Man in an Orange Shirt	2017	☆☆☆☆	Limited series showing the lives of two gay men - a WWII British soldier and his modern-day grandson - and how they dealt with their sexuality and society - great acting with some out of the ordinary situations
	Man in the Brown Suit, The	1988	☆☆	Bland television version of Christie mystery - not very entertaining
	Man in the Iron Mask, The	1977	☆☆☆☆☆	Another great Richard Chamberlain vehicle in the series of made for television movies
	Man in the Iron Mask, The	1998	☆☆☆	Fairly entertaining version of the story
	Man in the Moon, The	1991	☆☆☆☆☆	Beautiful story of young love
	Man Named Pearl, A	2006	☆☆☆☆	Documentary about Pearl Fryar of Bishopville, South Carolina, who is a self-taught master of topiary design - fascinating
	Man of Ashes	2000	☆☆	Tunisian - strange tale of child molestation
	Man of My Life, The [L'Homme de Sa Vie]	2006	☆☆☆☆	French - a happily married man meets a gay man on vacation and begins to question his life - beautiful images and intriguing conversation
	Man of Steel	2013	☆☆	Classic adventure undone by length and special effects - Henry Cavill does make a very good Superman though
	Man of the Century	1999	☆☆☆☆	Weird story of a man in modern times who has a 1920's persona - oddly entertaining
	Man of the House	2005	☆☆☆	A silly plot but Tommy Lee Jones and the actresses playing the girls make this tale of a Texas Ranger who has to protect some cheerleaders entertaining
	Man of the Year	2006	☆☆☆	Fairly well done comedy about a comedian who becomes president-elect - Robin Williams does his usual excellent acting job, but Laura Linney's over-the-top character was annoying to the point that it removed a star from my rating
	Man of the Year, The [O Homem do Ano]	2003	☆☆☆☆	Brazilian - a look at the seedier side of life on the outskirts of Rio in which crime flourishes and the police do basically nothing - a young man becomes a vigilante and a local hero - this all leads to disaster - great acting and an interesting insight into this society
	Man on a Ledge	2012	☆☆☆☆	Convicted cop goes about an unusual way to clear himself - nothing very new and different but good acting and action - lots of fun
	Man on Fire	2004	☆	This could have been a good movie about a "lost" man who is redeemed by the love of a child, but the director's use of silly movie techniques - flashing images, out of focus shots, etc. made it tedious
	Man on the Train	2002	☆☆☆☆	Interesting tale of two men who meet in the autumn of their lives who wish they had lived each other's life

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	Man They Could Not Hang, The	1939	☆☆☆☆	Boris Karloff as a scientist convicted of murder brought back to life by his own invention who exercises revenge upon those who wronged him - great flick with the climax coming when all living people are confined to a mansion - interesting look at today's medical procedures that were considered fantasy at the time - click to read a full review of this and three other horror flicks starring Boris Karloff
	Man Up	2015	☆☆☆☆	Pleasing and witty comedy about a woman who has been unlucky in relationships mistakenly goes on a blind date - some over-the-top incidences but entertaining
	Man Who Came to Dinner, The	2000	☆☆☆☆	Filming of the play on stage - great acting and good special features
	Man Who Cried, The	2000	☆☆☆☆	A strange but oddly entertaining film about a little Russian girl and how she is brought to England and then lands in pre-WWII Paris as a young woman
	Man Who Invented Christmas, The	2017	☆☆☆☆	A tale of Charles Dickens' life during the time that he was writing <i>A Christmas Carole</i> - humorous and dark at the same time - entertaining
	Man Who Knew Infinity, The	2015	☆☆	Story of a brilliant Indian mathematician in 1920's England - very slow moving
	Man Who Never Was, The	1955	☆☆☆☆☆☆	My fifth grade teacher, Mrs. Henson, recommended this movie and it is still as good now as it was then - based upon an actual covert operation in WWII
	Man Who Saved Ben-Hur, The	2015	☆☆☆☆	Documentary about the life and career of John Alarimo who was an assistant director on a number of films (notably Ben-Hur) - an interesting - yet lonely - man who lead a mostly fulfilling life as a behind the scenes person in Hollywood
	Man Who Sued God, The	2001	☆☆☆☆	Australian - when a man's boat is sunk by lightning and the insurance company won't pay because it was considered an act of God, the man sues the churches as representatives of God - good comedy with social messages
	Man Who Wasn't There, The	2001	☆☆☆☆	Billy Bob Thornton in a fim noir - great atmosphere and acting
	Man Who Will Come, The [L'uomo Che Verrà]	2009	☆☆☆☆	Italian - based upon a real massacre of over seven-hundred Italian villagers by the Germans during WWII - very slow moving but interesting
	Man with Half a Body, The	2010	☆☆☆☆	Interesting documentary about a man who was born missing part of his spine and with undeveloped legs - interesting person
	Man with One Red Shoe, The	1985	☆☆☆☆	Spy vs spy comedy lark has lots of good actors and lots of fun
	Man Without a Past, The	2002	☆☆☆☆	Finnish - strange, slow-moving movie about a man who is attacked, loses his memory, and is taken in by an unusual group of strangers
	Man, The	2005	☆☆☆☆	This clash of cultures farce turned out to be much more entertaining than I expected due mainly to Eugene Levy's performance
	Manchester by the Sea	2016	☆☆☆☆☆☆	Devastatingly sad movie about a man who is unable to recover from a family tragedy - supreme acting and direction
	Manchurian Candidate, The	2004	☆☆☆☆	Fairly entertaining remake of the original movie updated to today's conflicts

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	Mandingo	1975	☆☆☆	I'm sure I saw this film when it was first released - I didn't like it - in watching in again, I was fascinated as to how bad it really is - it is a cliché - lots of bad acting with James Mason chewing the scenery as the wicked plantation owner - surprisingly, it gets many good reviews - for me the three stars are awarded for its camp quality
	Mango Soufflé	2002	☆	Indian - one of those friends get together and secrets are revealed stories, but this one has an unbelievable script, horrible acting, and cheesy production values - really bad
	Mango Yellow [Amarelo Manga]	2003	☆☆	Brazilian - a day in the life of some quirky characters - a not too entertaining look into the Brazilian psyche
	Manhunter	1986	☆☆☆	The first movie version of <i>Red Dragon</i> - stars the CSI guy - fairly good action and great villain
	Manic	2001	☆	Teenaged angst in the funny farm - boring
	Manolo: The Boy Who Made Shoes for Lizards	2017	☆☆☆	Interesting documentary about a creative man know as the most renowned maker of shoes in the world - insightful into a very interesting man
	Mansfield Park	1999	☆☆☆☆	Enjoyable filming of the Austen novel with somewhat more modern actions of the characters - beautifully acted and photographed
	Mansome	2012	☆☆	Silly documentary about modern day men's grooming
	Mantis, The [La Mante]	2017	☆☆☆	French - limited series about a policeman looking for a serial killer who is emulating the crimes of his mother - very moody but good watching even though the villain turns out to be a little too cliché
	Mao's Last Dancer	2010	☆☆☆☆☆	Beautifully told story of ballet star Li Cunxin who was raised in China and defected to the United States - great acting and wonderful dancing
	Map of Sex and Love, The	2001	☆☆	A man returns to his Hong Kong home and meets a girl and another man - slow
	Map of the World, A	1999	☆☆☆☆	How a tragedy changes "perfect" lives in a small town - great chick flick
	Mapplethorpe: Look at the Pictures	2016	☆☆☆☆	Absorbing documentary about the famous and controversial artist - interesting insight into his character
	Maps to the Stars	2015	☆	Lame, dry movie about Hollywood neurotics and worthless humans
	Marathon	2005	☆☆☆	Korean - based upon fact - the story of an autistic athlete and the relationship between himself and his mother - gets a bit melodramatic (as Korean films are wont to do) but is still entertaining - the actor who plays the athlete is very good
	Marauders	2016	☆☆☆	Fairly standard action crime flick but with pretty interesting characters and motives - solidly entertaining
	Marcella	2016	☆☆☆	British mini-series about an emotionally unhinged cop searching for a serial killer - entertaining but with some weak plot devices
	March of the Penguins	2004	☆☆☆☆	Documentary about the extraordinary mating practices of the Emperor Penguin - great DVD with the "making of" feature just as good, if not better, than the feature
	March of the Wooden Soldiers [Babes in Toyland]	1934	☆☆☆☆	Laurel and Hardy make this telling of the fable lots of fun
	Marcy X	2003	☆	A Jewish American Princess takes a rap star in tow in order to save her father's company - what a terrible waste of money and talent
	Margaret	2011	☆	Long and boring trip into the guilty mind of a teenage girl

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	Margaret Cho: Beautiful	2009	☆☆	Cho's stand-up show is sometime humorous but a little too gross as far as sexual matters to get more than two stars
	Margin Call	2008	☆☆☆☆	Intriguing look at a bank on the verge of the financial crisis of 2008 - great acting
	Margot	2009	☆☆☆	Story of the life of ballet star Margo Fonteyn during the time when she and Rudolph Nureyev danced together - interesting look at two fascinating people
	Margot at the Wedding	2007	☆☆	A selfish woman who hates herself and the world goes to attend her sister's wedding and causes unhappiness where ever she is - such an unlikeable lead character is not my cup of tea
	Marguerite	2015	☆☆☆☆	French - fiction with the main character based upon a real person (Florence Foster Jenkins) who thought she was a wonderful singer but wasn't - this somewhat surreal comedy / drama is set in early 1920's France drawing in the elements of the social change of the time - fascinating and entertaining
	Marie Antoinette	2006	☆☆☆	A well produced film but ultimately somewhat of a disappointment because it glosses over the subject matter
	Marilyn Hotchkiss Ballroom Dancing and Charm School	2005	☆☆☆	Pleasant tale of a man depressed over the death of his wife who finds new hope for life at a ballroom dancing school
	Marine, The	2006	☆☆☆	Totally ridiculous but entertaining story of a Marine after the killers who have captured his wife - lots of adolescent fun
	Mark Felt: The Man Who Brought Down the White House	2017	☆☆	Slow moving tale of "Deep Throat" and his exposure of the dirty dealings in the Nixon White House - filled with powerful men doing bad things - including the protagonist
	Marley & Me	2008	☆☆☆☆	Entertaining film of the popular book - was afraid of too much slapstick but was pleasantly surprised
	Married Life	2007	☆☆☆	Half 1940's melodrama, half dark comedy - story of a middle-aged man who wants to leave his wife for a younger woman and the complications - good acting and atmosphere
	Marshall	2017	☆☆☆☆☆	Story of a trial in the early lawyer days of Thurgood Marshall - solid entertainment
	Marshland [La Isla Mínima]	2014	☆☆☆☆	Spanish - story of two police detectives in the 1980's who are sent to the marshlands to solve a series of murders - interesting characters - extraordinary photography with many intriguing overhead shots - a real pleasure to watch
	Martain Child, The	2007	☆☆☆☆	Fine acting in this story - based upon real life - about a lonely widower who fosters a child with severe emotional problems - the special features on the DVD are a must-see
	Martian, The	2015	☆☆☆☆☆	Extremely entertaining film about an astronaut who is left on Mars and must fend for himself - adventure with just the right amount of humor
	Mary and Martha	2013	☆☆☆	Story of two mothers whose sons died of malaria in Africa trying to bring knowledge of the problem to the United States - a bit sugary
	Maslin Beach	1997	☆☆	Quirky characters on a nude beach - some good parts
	Mass Appeal	1984	☆☆☆☆	A young deacon with new ideas shakes up a popular priest - superior acting by Jack Lemmon and Zeljko Ivanek in one of his earliest performances
	Masseur, The	2005	☆☆	Filipino - depressing tale of boy prostitutes in Manila - bad acting and production values don't help

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	Master and Commander: The Far Side of the World	2003	★★★★	Good action - solid characters - great acting - a great <i>guilty pleasure</i> movie
	Master of Disguise, The	2002	★	Extremely bad Dana Carvey comedy
	Master, The	2012	★★	Overly long muddled mess about a WWII vet coming under the influence of a cult - Joaquin Phoenix is too old for the part of the vet and his bizarre acting style is really off-putting
	Matador	1986	★★	Spanish - muddled mess of insanity and sexual aberration revolving around a retired matador
	Matador, The	2005	★★	Tedious comedy about a professional killer who reaches a life crisis and gets help from an everyday guy - pretty much a waste of time
	Match	2015	★★★★★	A couple interviews a former ballet dancer and choreographer but it soon is realized that they have other motives in mind - this play to film is very good - especially the performance of Patrick Stewart as the choreographer
	Match Point	2005	★★★★★	This film about a poor tennis player who becomes part of a rich family and then succumbs to cheating on his wife is an interesting study of modern-day morals - click to read full review
	Matchmaker, The	1997	★	Improbable tale of woman who goes to Ireland for research and finds the man of her dreams - tedious
	Matchstick Men	2003	★★★★★	Very well done con man gets conned movie with excellent acting
	Matchups	2003	★	This is supposed to be an inspiring tale about a blind basketball coach but it is totally sabotaged by bad acting and sappy lines
	Material Girls	2006	★★★★	Flick about two rich teenage sisters who lose everything and have to save their family company - charming characters and not too overboard
	Mating Habits of the Earthbound Human	1999	★★★★	Entertaining farce about relationships between women and men
	Matrimonium	2005	★	Really stupid reality show take-off about a guy pretending to be gay in order to share a million dollars
	Matter of Size, A [Sippur Gadol]	2009	★★★★	Israeli - a group of fat men who are tired of being considered second class citizens because of their size form a sumo wrestling team - low-keyed comedy
	Matter of Taste, A	2000	★★	French - an older man seduces a young waiter - pretty dull
	Maudie	2016	★★★★	Nicely done character study of an unusual artist and her equally unusual husband
	Maurice	1987	★★★★★	Story of repressed attitude toward homosexuality in early 1900's England - great story and acting
	Max	2002	★	Young Adolph Hitler and his Jewish art teacher - critics loved it - I hated it
	Max	2015	★★	Cliché characters and too many highly improbable events make this story of a war dog adopted by the family of his deceased trainer a bust - too bad as it might have been pretty good without the heavy handing
	Max and Mona	2004	★★	South African - silly movie about a country boy who goes to the big city to attend college and comes under the influence of a not so wholesome uncle
	Max Manus	2009	★★★★★	Norwegian - well done biopic of a Norwegian freedom fighter during the Second World War - good acting and action and excelled special feature on the DVD
	Max Steel	2016	★★	A teenager works with an alien in order to save the world - pretty lame

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	May God Save Us [Que Dios Nos Perdona]	2016	☆☆☆☆	Spanish - two highly dysfunctional detectives try to find a serial rapist and killer - very interesting characters even though the two main protagonists are so severely flawed
	May in the Summer	2014	☆☆	Tale of a woman who can't make up her mind as to whether she wants to marry - strong influences from a dysfunctional family - depressing
	Maybe Baby	2001	☆☆☆☆	A media couple try to get pregnant - cute little comedy
	Mayday	2005	☆☆	Another standard fare plane in trouble movie - watchable but just that - nothing exceptional
	Mayday	2013	☆☆☆☆	British mini-series about a missing teenager and the people in her community - some pretty grim characters in this one but still watchable
	Mayor of Casterbridge, The	2001	☆☆☆☆	Mini-series about the actions of a selfish man - entertaining but nothing special
	McCallum	1997	☆☆☆☆	Nine episode British television series about a forensic pathologist - the first eight episodes starring John Hannah are very entertaining, but the ninth changes stars and is a total snooze-fest
	McFarland, USA	2015	☆☆☆☆	Heartfelt movie based upon fact about a poor California farming community that is spirited by its cross country running team - a little sappy but still very entertaining
	McLintock!	1963	☆☆☆☆	John Wayne, Maureen O'Hara, and lots of tongue-in-cheek lines and action make this a great "guilty pleasure" flick
	Me & Mrs. Jones	2003	☆☆☆☆	Great romantic lark about an affair between the female Prime Minister of Britain and a reporter - excellent acting - very entertaining
	Me and Earl and the Dying Girl	2015	☆☆☆☆	A high school senior begins a friendship with a classmate with cancer at the behest of his mother - charming and interesting characters
	Me and Orson Welles	2008	☆☆☆☆	A teenager learns about himself and the duplicitous ways of show business folk through his contact with Orson Welles - off to a slow start but turns out to be really entertaining
	Me Before You	2016	☆☆☆☆	Pretty standard lovable woman meets a man with extreme physical problems story, but the characters are very pleasing and likeable
	Me Too [Yo, También]	2009	☆☆☆☆	Spanish - story of a high functioning man with Down's syndrome who falls for a woman in his office who has emotional problems - entertaining but nothing special
	Me You Them [Eu, Tu, Eles]	2000	☆☆☆☆	Brazilian - strange story - supposedly based upon fact - about a woman who has three husbands and four children - all with different men
	Mea Maxima Culpa: Silence in the House of God	2012	☆☆☆☆	Documentary about sex abuse in the Catholic Church - chilling
	Mean Creek	2004	☆☆☆☆	Teenagers set out to teach a bully a lesson but things go wrong - not a bad little film
	Mean Girls	2004	☆☆☆☆	Pretty standard "teenage girl learns about life" story with some good examples of wit
	Mean Machine	2001	☆☆	<i>The Longest Yard</i> in an English prison with soccer - mildly entertaining
	Mean Season, The	1985	☆☆☆☆	A reported tracks down a serial killer - watchable - stars Kurt Russell
	Meantime	1981	☆	English working class - dull and boring
	Mechanic, The	2011	☆☆☆☆	A professional hit man takes a rookie under his wing - good action but weak plot
	Mechanic: Resurrection	2016	☆☆☆☆	Typical Jason Statham action but lots of fun with a villain twist by Tommy Lee Jones

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	Meddler, The	2016	☆☆☆	A woman attempts to recover from the death of her much-loved husband - nice little film with interesting characters
	Meek's Cutoff	2010	☆☆	Lackluster telling of lost pioneers on their way to Oregon
	Meet Bill	2007	☆☆	Fairly lame story of a man who gets tired of working for his wife's father - pleasing characters but not much else
	Meet Joe Black	1998	☆☆	Not very entertaining remake of <i>Death Takes a Holiday</i>
	Meet the Parents	2000	☆☆	Another Ben Stiller not so funny "comedy" that wastes Robert DeNiro
	Meet the Patels	2014	☆☆	This documentary about an Indian-American actor trying to find love is entertaining but still lacking in true entertainment value
	Meet the Spartans	2008	☆☆	Comic parody of 300 just doesn't quite make it - not very funny - special features on the DVD are actually better than the film
	Meg, The	2018	☆☆☆☆	A research group is threatened by the accidental release of a pre-historic megalodon - fairly standard action flick with Jason Statham giving it its fourth star
	Megan Leavey	2017	☆☆☆☆	Based upon fact - story of a female Marine and her service dog and her attempts to adopt him after he retires - inspirational characters
	Melinda and Melinda	2004	☆☆	Privileged NYC young professionals have their problems - tiring
	Memento	2000	☆☆☆☆	A man's life in reverse - innovative style - super film
	Memoirs of a Geisha	2005	☆☆☆☆	Beautifully produced love story spanning pre and post WWII in Japan - interesting look at the culture
	Memorial Day	2012	☆☆☆	A young soldier is wounded and looks back upon a day when his grandfather told him about his own experiences during WWII - good acting
	Memory of a Killer, The [De Zaak Alzheimer (The Alzheimer's Case)]	2003	☆☆☆☆	Belgium - due to superior acting and conservative direction, this cop story is much more than the standard fare - story of a professional killer who decides to help the police arrest his employers
	Men at Lunch	2012	☆☆☆☆	Documentary about the iconic photo of the men sitting and eating lunch on the beam of the under construction Rockefeller Center taken in 1932 - engrossing look at the immigrants who worked the jobs and the archival evidence connected with the photo
	Men in Black 3	2012	☆☆☆	Entertaining third edition of the series with the added gimmick of time travel
	Men in Black II	2002	☆☆	Not very good as compared with the original
	Men Men Men	1995	☆☆	Italian - the sad life of gay men - pretty depressing
	Men Next Door, The	2012	☆☆	Overacting in this tale of a man who has affairs with his next door neighbor and his father - pretty boring
	Men of Honor	2000	☆☆☆☆	True story of Navy's first African American diver - super character study
	Men to Kiss [Männer zum Knutschen]	2012	☆☆	German - cardboard characters in this story of an old friend trying to destroy the relationship of her gay friend and his new lover - silly - too silly
	Men Who Stare at Goats, The	2009	☆	Lame war satire - total waste of time and talent
	Men Who Swim [Sync or Swim]	2010	☆☆☆☆	Swedish - documentary about a group of early middle age men who form the Stockholm Art Swim Gents - a men's synchronized swim team - interesting characters
	Men With Brooms	2002	☆☆☆☆	A story based around the sport of curling - entertaining characters and action

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	Men With Guns	1998	☆☆☆	South American doctor comes to a realization about life amongst the Indians in his country
	Men's Mix 1	2002	☆☆☆	Seven short films with a gay theme - all pretty good - the last being a tongue-in-cheek look at a 50's sex education film the best
	Merchant of Venice, The	2004	☆☆☆	A lavish production of the play - good if you're in the mood for Shakespeare
	Merci Docteur Rey	2002	☆☆	Dark farce with great quirky characters, murder, and lots of tongue-in-cheek fun - kind of absurd
	Merci Pour Le Chocolat	2000	☆☆☆	French - bizarre film about a woman who destroys those she envies - some unexplained actions of actors but still entertaining
	Mercury Rising	1998	☆☆☆☆☆	A renegade FBI guy saves an autistic boy from an evil CIA chief - over the top but totally entertaining
	Merry Gentleman, The	2008	☆☆☆	Strange, slow-moving tale about a hit man who becomes attracted to a woman fleeing her abusive cop husband - interesting
	Merry War	1997	☆☆☆☆	Light adaptation of Orwell's <i>Keep The Aspidistra Flying</i> - great atmosphere and characters
	Meskada	2010	☆☆☆	Detective goes back to his home town to solve a murder with personal and political complications - watchable but nothing special
	Mesrine: Killer Instinct [L'instinct de Mort]	2008	☆☆☆☆	French - Part 1 of a two part biography of a famous French criminal of the 1960's and 70's - interesting look at a man immersed in violence
	Mesrine: Public Enemy #1 [L'ennemi Public N°1]	2008	☆☆☆☆	French - Part 2 of the story of a famous French criminal of the 1960's & 70's - shows the last seven years of his life - intriguing
	Messenger, The	2008	☆☆☆☆	Heart wrenching tale of two soldiers who deliver death notices to family members - it is really a tale of what war and the military have done to their personalities - grim but needs to be seen
	Metallic Blues	2004	☆☆☆	Israeli - tale of two men who travel from Israel to Germany to sell a rare American car - deals with emotional issues of Jews and Germans - watchable - click to read a full review
	Meteor and Shadow	1985	☆	The harrowing of the rise and fall of Napoleon Lapathiotis (1888-1944), Greece's most esteemed poet - really boring
	Metrosexuality	2001	☆	Television series about "hip" young people in London - guess I'm not "hip" enough
	MI-5	2015	☆☆☆	Spin-off movie from the British television series - good action in this one about a former agent being called in to find a mole in the organization
	MI-5 [aka Spooks] Season 1	2002	☆☆☆☆☆	Excellent acting and produced British television series about the secret service - interesting, realistic characters
	MI-5 [aka Spooks] Season 2	2003	☆☆☆	Second season has some good stories but gets a bit far fetched toward the end
	MI-5 [aka Spooks] Season 3	2004	☆☆☆☆	Season Three brings back a lot of the spark of the first season - three of the major stars leave in interesting ways - all the episodes are very good, saving one
	MI-5 [aka Spooks] Season 4	2005	☆☆☆☆☆	The fourth season contains lots of good plotlines - cliff hanger ending episode is a bit far-fetched but still entertaining
	MI-5 [aka Spooks] Season 5	2006	☆☆☆☆	All of the episodes are exciting but way overdone on the inside traitor theme causing a star reduction
	MI-5 [aka Spooks] Season 6	2007	☆☆☆☆	Still entertaining and sometimes very exciting the series goes a little too far in making everyone a villain - far fetched

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	MI-5 [aka Spooks] Season 7	2008	★★★★	This is a nice, tight season with plots that are far less convoluted - lots of the major players get killed off
	Michael	1924	★★★	German - silent film about a older famous artist who has an unrequited love of a straight young man who falls in love with one of the artist's subjects - extremely melodramatic in a silent film sort of way
	Michael Clayton	2007	★★★★	Great acting and suspense in this sort of Network reworking about a lawyer of a large firm whose specialty is cleaning up clients' messes who gets involved in murder and conspiracy
	Micmacs [Micmacs à Tire-Larigot]	2009	★★★★	French - quirky and surreal comedy about a man who seeks revenge upon the arms manufacturers who built a bomb that killed his father and the bullet that wounded him - lots of fun
	Middle of Nowhere	2008	★★★★	Two teenagers - one dysfunctional and one from a dysfunctional family - form a friendship that helps both - very good acting and interesting characters
	Middle of the World, The	2004	★★★★	Brazilian - based upon a true story - a man travels by bicycle with his family across Brazil to find a better life - engrossing looks at dignity
	Middle School: The Worst Years of My Life	2016	★★	Somewhat lacking tale of a teenage outsider and his fight against the establishment - done in by far too over-the-top characters and situations
	Midnight Clear, A	1992	★★★★	Christmas Eve 1944 - American and German soldiers spend the holiday together - hard, well-told tale
	Midnight Dancers	1996	★★★	Philippines - three brothers help to support the family by dancing in a gay nightclub - interesting look at a different society
	Midnight in Paris	2011	★★★★	A writer learns about himself and his relationship by traveling back in time and meeting some of the great artists from the past - pleasing Woody Allen creation
	Midnight Special	2016	★	Depressing science fiction tale about a boy with special senses on the run from a religious cult and government agents
	Midnight: 2000 Seen By... [O Primeiro Dia]	1998	★★★	Brazilian - depressing tale of people in Rio on the eve of 2000 caught up in the trials of life - hard to watch but interesting character studies
	Midnight's Children	2012	★★	Overlong film about two Indian boys who are switched at birth - is it a fantasy or a political drama - who cares
	Midsomer Murders	1997	★★★★	Long, long running series build around the fictional British county of Midsomer - tons of kinky characters and bizarre murders make it a consistent winner
	Midwife, The [Sage Femme]	2017	★★★	French - a down-to-earth midwife is reconnected with her father's mistress whom she hasn't seen in many years causing changes in her life and attitudes - good acting - a little long
	Mighty Fine	2012	★★	Wooden acting and direction in this tale of a father with anger issues
	Mighty Heart, A	2007	★★★★	Educating and horrifying look at the murder of journalist Daniel Pearl in Pakistan - gritty and well-acted
	Mildred Pierce	2011	★★★★	Mini-series about a woman who sacrifices for a selfish, hateful daughter - great acting and production

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	Mile 22	2018	☆☆☆	Somewhat disappointing action flick about an elite government forces group getting a man out of his country in order for him to give them information - the whole thing was just a little bit over the top
	Mile in His Shoes, A	2011	☆☆☆	Inspirational tale of a young baseball player with Asperger's syndrome - sappy and overdone but mildly entertaining
	Mile Zero	2003	☆☆	A father is desperate to capture his old life after separation from his wife - his dementia leads to the kidnapping of his son - pretty tedious
	Miles	2016	☆☆☆	Nicely done coming of age story about a boy who joins the girls' volleyball team in order to win a sports scholarship to college - good characters and acting
	Miles From Home	1988	☆☆☆	Story of two young farmers who go bankrupted - one overplayed by Richard Gere - mildly entertaining
	Milk	2008	☆☆☆☆	Dramatization of the life of Harvey Milk during his time in San Francisco until his assassination in 1978 - interesting look at an interesting character
	Milk and Honey	2005	☆	Story of two extremely unlikable people and a crisis in their marriage and lives - who cares!
	Mill on the Floss, The	1997	☆☆☆	George Eliot story of an independent woman who seems to make all the wrong decisions - pretty weak - just barely three stars
	Million Dollar Arm	2014	☆☆☆☆	Based upon fact - the story of the first Indian baseball players to be drafted to a major league team - excellent feel-good movie
	Million Dollar Baby	2004	☆☆☆☆☆	This film turned out to be not as complex as I expected but is still excellent entertainment because of the exceptional acting
	Milton's Secret	2016	☆☆☆	A boy who is bullied at school learns lessons from his visiting grandfather - pretty standard fare but pleasing characters
	Mind Games	2001	☆☆☆	A former nun who is now a police behaviorist works to find a serial killer - very dry presentation - just barely three stars
	Mind of a Murderer, The	2016	☆☆☆☆	German - section of a long-running police series entitled <i>Tatort</i> - this section has four major characters - all with their own personal flaws - interesting, however very dark, crimes
	Mind to Kill: Series 1, A	1994	☆☆☆	A Welsh police detective works with cases and a rocky relationship with his teenage daughter - interesting cases but nothing special
	Mindhunters	2004	☆☆☆	FBI trainees trapped on an island with a mad killer - pretty standard fare but entertaining
	Mine	2016	☆☆	Story of a lone soldier trapped by a mine in the desert and his efforts to survive - started out pretty well but gave too much time to all of his delusions as he became more and more stressed
	Miniaturist, The	2017	☆☆	Limited series about life in 17th Century Amsterdam - great production values but the strange and depressing storyline makes the whole thing a real downer
	Minority Report	2002	☆☆	Tom Cruise battles evil in the future - pretty lame
	Miracle	2004	☆☆☆☆☆	Story of the 1980 U.S. hockey team that beat the Russians - really the story of the coach and his interactions with the players - very well done
	Miracle at Midnight	1998	☆☆☆☆	TV movie about a Danish doctor helping Jews escape the country before they can be taken by the Nazis - good, solid entertainment

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	Miracle at St. Anna	2008	☆☆	Disjointed look at an incident experienced by four Black soldiers during WWII - tedious and too long
	Miracle Mile	1989	☆	Unbelievable stupid movie about a man who discovers Los Angeles will be bombed in one hour - dumb
	Miracle Run	2004	☆☆☆☆	A cable movie based upon real people about a single mother trying and succeeding in getting help for her autistic twin sons - told very well
	Mirror Crack'd, The	1980	☆☆☆	Angela Lansbury as Miss Marple with Elizabeth Taylor, Rock Hudson, Tony Curtis, and Kim Hunter as the visiting Americans - not bad by Hunter's performance is an embarrassment of chewed scenery
	Mirror Mirror	2012	☆☆	This new version of the Snow White fairy tale has some good moments but is over-long and overdone
	Mirush [Blodsband]	2007	☆☆☆	Norwegian - disturbing story of a Serbian adolescent who goes to Norway to find his father - good acting but depressing look at vacant moral values
	Misconceptions	2008	☆	A fundamentalist Christian receives a "message from God" that she should carry the child of two gay men - believe it or not, this film was not made to be a comedy - absurd from beginning to end
	Mishima	2000	☆☆☆☆	Artsy film of the life of Yukio Mishima - great Philip Glass music
	Miss Conception	2008	☆	Totally lame comedy about a woman trying to get pregnant with her last egg - a waste
	Miss Congeniality	2000	☆☆☆	Sandra Bullock as a slob FBI agent made over into a beauty queen - fun and watchable
	Miss Congeniality 2: Armed and Fabulous	2005	☆☆☆	Trite extension of the original - weak plot but enough humors moments to make it fairly watchable
	Miss Fisher's Murder Mysteries	2012	☆☆☆	Australian - entertaining series about a hip women in 1928 Melbourne who solves murders - good characters with lots of spice
	Miss Julie	1999	☆	Period piece - young noblewoman finds lust - dull and boring
	Miss Marple: 4.50 from Paddington	1987	☆☆☆	Another in the series starring Joan Hickson as Miss Marple - very slow moving - not much spark
	Miss Marple: A Caribbean Mystery	1989	☆☆☆	Very slow moving Miss Marple mystery - entertaining but not that great
	Miss Marple: Murder Ahoy!	1964	☆☆☆	Entertaining entry in the series but nothing special - murder aboard ship - click to read a review of all the films featuring Margaret Rutherford as Miss Marple
	Miss Marple: Murder at the Gallup	1963	☆☆☆	Lots of fun but the supporting characters in this one are not nearly as interesting - click to read a review of all the films featuring Margaret Rutherford as Miss Marple
	Miss Marple: Murder Most Foul	1964	☆☆☆☆	Probably the most witty in the series - lots of fun - click to read a review of all the films featuring Margaret Rutherford as Miss Marple
	Miss Marple: Murder, She Said	1962	☆☆☆☆	Great classic flick with Margaret Rutherford and the famous sleuth - great characters and production value - click to read a review of all the films featuring Margaret Rutherford as Miss Marple
	Miss Marple: The Mirror Crack'd from Side to Side	1992	☆☆☆	Laid back telling of the mystery - good dialog and relationship between Miss Marple and the other characters

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	Miss Pettigrew Lives for a Day	2008	☆☆☆	Entertaining bit of fluff about an unemployed woman who enters the world of entertainment and fashion in pre WWII London and causes changing effects upon herself and others
	Miss Potter	2006	☆☆☆☆☆	Totally delightful telling of the life of Beatrix Potter - everything clicks in this one
	Miss Sloane	2016	☆	A look at the slimy atmosphere of the Washington lobbyist - unlikeable characters and depressing actions
	Miss You Already	2015	☆☆☆☆	The effects of cancer upon two lifelong friends and their families - great "chick flick" with interesting characters and very good acting
	Missing in America	2005	☆☆☆☆	Story of a Vietnam vet who is still living on the edge of society due to the trauma experienced in the war - a heartfelt film that goes a little overboard in sentimentality - however the acting is great and the DVD special features are good
	Missing, The	2003	☆☆☆☆	Great character study about an estranged father helping his daughter save his granddaughter from renegade Indians
	Missing, The	2014	☆☆☆☆	Each season covers a different crime in this complex series about the effects upon all concerned which is build around a missing person case - great production values and extremely interesting characters
	Mission: Impossible	1996	☆☆☆	Sometimes hard to follow but still a good action flick
	Mission: Impossible - Ghost Protocol	2011	☆☆☆	Totally impossible feats of daring in trying to stop a fanatic who wants the world to end in nuclear disaster - good guilt pleasure entertainment
	Mister Foe [Hallam Foe]	2007	☆☆☆☆	A disturbed teenager suspects that his stepmother murdered his real mother - runs away to the city where he sees a woman who resembles his mother - strange tale but intriguing - great acting
	Mister Roberts	1955	☆☆☆☆☆	This superior movie will always be at the top of its form - wonderful WWII comedy/drama
	Mixed Nuts	1994	☆	Steve Martin working a suicide hotline - really bad
	Mobile	2007	☆☆☆☆☆	British mini series about attacks upon mobile phone towers and users with the actual motives revealed throughout the series - great plot - excellent acting
	Modigliani	2004	☆☆	Overly long look at the artist and his relationship with his lover and Picasso
	Molière	2007	☆☆☆☆☆	French - extremely entertaining dramatic, romantic farce about events in the early life of the writer - click to read a full review
	Moms Mabley: I Got Somethin' to Tell You	2013	☆☆☆☆	Documentary about the foremost female comedian of her time - very well done
	Moms' Night Out	2014	☆☆☆☆	One of those inspirational films about a woman learning that her family takes priority - could have been over-the-top but just enough bite to make it enjoyable
	Mona Lisa Smile	2003	☆☆☆☆	Well done movie about the roles of women in society in 1953 - accurate depictions
	Monarch of the Glen: Series 1	2000	☆☆☆☆	This story of a man who returns from London to save his Scottish home is entertaining but somewhat disjointed as major characters disappear with no explanation
	Mondays in the Sun [Los Lunes al Sol]	2002	☆☆☆☆	Spanish - moody but entertaining piece about men who have lost their jobs and the result
	Money Monster	2016	☆☆☆☆	A television studio is invaded by a disgruntled man who has lost all of his money to an investment corporation - nice little crime drama

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	Moneyball	2011	★★★★	Very good acting in this bio-flick about baseball manager Billy Beane
	Mongol	2007	★★	Russian - story of the rise of Genghis Khan - beautifully photographed and produced but too long and boring
	Monroe: Class of '76	2005	★★★	British crime mystery is fairly entertaining until the totally unbelievable actions of the characters at the end
	Monsieur Ibrahim [Monsieur Ibrahim et les Fleurs du Coran]	2003	★★★★	French - heartfelt tale of a teenager abandoned by his father who is supported by an old shopkeeper in his neighborhood - interesting look at several cultures in France in the 1960's
	Monsieur Lazhar	2011	★★★★	French-Canadian - a refugee from Algeria takes over an elementary school class whose teacher has died - interesting character study
	Monsoon Wedding	2001	★★★	Indian - better than the average Indian flick about preparations for a wedding
	Monster	2003	★★★★	Tour de force acting makes this true story of a brutal murderer watchable
	Monster with a Thousand Heads, A [Un Monstruo de Mil Cabezas]	2015	★★★	Mexican - a woman battles a corrupt health care system in an attempt to get treatment for her dying husband - many improbable events but still entertaining
	Monster-in-Law	2005	★★★	Predictable but mildly entertaining tale of bride's problems with overbearing mother-in-law
	Monster's Ball	2001	★★★★★	Superior acting in this story of lost souls taking a chance on live and love - powerful - click to read full review
	Monsters, Inc.	2001	★★★	Entertaining cartoon movie
	Monte Carlo	2011	★★★	Lackluster romantic comedy in which a regular girl is mistaken for a rich bitch and the adventures that ensue for her and her friends - pleasant characters but just barely three stars
	Month by the Lake, A	1995	★★★	Another one of those atmospheric British movies about love amongst the reserved - good but not as good as some
	Monuments Men, The	2014	★★★	Well done story of men who saved thousands of works of art from the Nazis at the end of WWII
	Moon and the Stars, The	2007	★★★	Highly romanticized telling of an international film crew making a movie in 1939 Rome whose producer is a Jewish homosexual - good acting and atmosphere
	Moonlight	2016	★★★★	Grim but beautiful story of a boy growing up in a society dominated by drugs and hate - interesting that the supporting actors were acknowledged for their performances but not the amazing performances of the three who played the boy, teen, and man of the main character
	Moonlight Mile	2002	★★★★★	Great character study of a young man and his relationship with the parents of his dead fiancé
	Moonwalkers	2015	★★	Absurd cardboard characters in this farce about a group of misfits contracted to create a phony moon landing for the United States
	More Tales of the City	1998	★★★	Highly improbable situations and weak acting make this sequel just watchable and nothing special
	Morgan	2012	★★	A paralyzed athlete has trouble adjusting to his new condition - pretty good story done in by some bad acting
	Morning	2010	★	Depressing tale of a down-and-out alcoholic father who lets his son drown in a bathtub - mumbled lines and bad acting

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	Morning Glory	2010	☆☆☆	Written by the same person who wrote <i>The Devil Wears Prada</i> - basically the same plot with the same "spunky" woman - this time in the television morning news business - watchable but barely three stars
	Mortdecai	2015	☆☆☆	Crime caper farce is mildly entertaining with good, quirky characters
	Morvern Callar	2002	☆	This time it's dull disaffected youth in Scotland - guess I just don't get it
	Moscow, Belgium [Aanrijding in Moscou]	2008	☆☆☆☆	Belgian - charming but edgy tale of a women left by her husband who begins a romance with a younger man
	Most Hated Woman in America, The	2017	☆☆☆☆	Interesting drama based upon the life of Madalyn Murray O'Hair and the murder of her and two family members - good acting all around
	Most Mysterious Murder, A	2004	☆☆☆	British mini-series about five unsolved murders - dramatized with a solution suggested by the host - entertaining
	Most Violent Year, A	2014	☆☆	A New York businessman in the 1980's is involved in crime - well produced but plodding
	Mostly Martha	2002	☆☆☆☆	German - super character study with a middle-aged female chef as the center character
	Mostly Unfabulous Social Life of Ethan Green, The	2006	☆	Cliché ridden flick about a gay man who cannot mature and form an adult relationship - it's totally unfabulous
	Mostro, Il	1994	☆☆	French - mild-mannered man is mistaken for a killer - pretty lame
	Motel, The	2005	☆☆	Coming of age story of a Chinese-American boy - good acting, but didn't have that special spark for me
	Mother and Child	2009	☆☆☆☆	Character study of three generations of women and their approach to life - grim at times but great acting
	Mother, The	2003	☆☆☆☆	Intriguing look at a widow and her relationship with her adult children
	Mother's Day	2016	☆☆☆	Entertaining comedy / drama about the problems of mothers in today's world - likeable characters
	Motorcycle Diaries, The [Diarios de Motocicleta]	2004	☆☆☆	Argentinean - story of the young Che Guevara and a trip he took with a friend that lead to his rethinking of the nature of society and formed his thoughts of revolution - slow moving but interesting
	Moulin Rouge	2001	☆☆☆☆	The "new" musical - a treat for the eyes and ears - extensive special features on the DVD
	Mountain Between Us, The	2017	☆☆☆	Very slow moving survival movie - some good action but just barely three stars
	Mouse that Roared, The	1959	☆☆☆☆	This crazy British comedy with Peter Sellers in three roles about a small country declaring war on the US in order to receive aid after they lose continues to be a lark almost fifty years later
	Movie 43	2013	☆☆	A series of absurd skits - many with well known stars - mildly amusing
	Mozart and the Whale	2005	☆☆☆☆	Beautifully done love story based upon fact about the trials of two young people suffering from Asperger's Syndrome - great acting - realistic - charming - click to read the full review
	Mozart's Sister [Nannerl, la soeur de Mozart]	2011	☆☆	French - extremely slow moving depiction of the frustration of Mozart's sister who was not able to expand her talent because of prejudices against women
	Mr. 3000	2004	☆☆☆	I viewed this expecting a mindless comedy but it turned out to be a reasonably introspective look at a man and his ego - more of a drama than comedy

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	Mr. Angel	2013	☆☆☆	Documentary about a very interesting transsexual
	Mr. Baseball	1992	☆☆☆	Tom Selleck as a professional baseball player who is traded to a Japanese - he takes his big ego with him and causes trouble - mildly entertaining
	Mr. Bean's Holiday	2007	☆☆☆	Mr. Bean travels through France on his way to Cannes leaving a wake of destruction - lots of fun
	Mr. Brooks	2007	☆☆☆☆	Well-acted thriller about a family man who just happens to be a serial killer - click to read a full review
	Mr. Church	2016	☆☆☆☆	Sentimental tale of a cook hired to help a dying woman and her child whose relationship turns into a long-time friendship - Eddie Murphy is very good in this change of pace role
	Mr. Holmes	2015	☆☆☆☆	Charming tale about Sherlock Holmes in his very old age - engaging characters and atmosphere
	Mr. Right	2006	☆☆☆	Fairly entertaining tale of couples looking for love in London
	Mr. Right	2015	☆☆☆	Dark comedy in which a hit man with changed moral sense meets up with an unconventional woman - their coupling creates a bizarre but rewarding relationship
	Mr. Sardonicus	1961	☆☆☆	Classic horror about a man with a fiendish grin - good old-fashioned treat
	Mr. Smith Gets a Hustler	2002	☆	Dull tale of a hustler working to support his alcoholic mother and a mysterious customer
	Mr. Warmth: The Don Rickles Project	2007	☆☆☆☆	Entertaining documentary about the career of the famous comedian and actor
	Mrs. Biggs	2012	☆☆☆☆	Australian - five part mini-series about the wife of one of the robbers of The Great Train Robbery of 1963 in England - interesting character study
	Mrs. Bradley Mysteries 1: Speedy Death	1998	☆☆☆☆☆	Pilot for a mystery series about a stylish divorcée solving crime in 1930's Britain - great fun
	Mrs. Bradley Mysteries 2: Death at the Opera	2000	☆☆☆☆	Mrs. Bradley returns to her old girls' school from which she was expelled and one of the teachers is murdered - lots of good humor in this one
	Mrs. Bradley Mysteries 3: The Rising of the Moon	2000	☆☆☆	The murder of a circus performer in a small village is the crime - lots of unlikely characters and an ending that can be seen way ahead of time - by the way, there's a pun there
	Mrs. Bradley Mysteries 4: Laurels Are Poison	2000	☆☆☆☆	Mysterious going ons at the mansion of an old acquaintance of Mrs. Bradley - the cook is poisoned but why?
	Mrs. Bradley Mysteries 5: The Worsted Viper	2000	☆☆☆	Mrs. Bradley and her chauffeur, George go to celebrate Detective Christmas's retirement and the marriage of George's daughter - improbable ending takes a star away from this one
	Mrs. Delafield Wants to Marry	1986	☆☆☆	Fluff television movie with Katherine Hepburn at the end of her career - some social comment and Hepburn is always a treat
	Mrs. Doubtfire	1993	☆☆☆☆☆	Excellent comedy with a heart
	Mrs. Henderson Presents	2005	☆☆☆☆	Based upon real people, this story of a rich woman who opens a theater in London just before WWII is an interesting character of her, her theater manager and the women who appeared in the reviews - great special features on the DVD - one in which you get to see some of the real performers now in their 80's and 90's
	Mrs. Miniver	1942	☆☆☆☆☆	Great WWII classic still pulls the heart strings - click to read full review

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	Mrs. Palfrey at the Claremont	2005	*****	Beautifully told story of an older woman who meets a young, struggling writer - both are very lonely - a wonderful, intelligent friendship develops - click to read the full review
	Mrs. Washington Goes to Smith	2009	***	Hallmark Channel fluff about an older woman who goes to college to complete her degree and her interactions with a much younger roommate - fairly entertaining
	Mrs. Winterbourne	1996	***	Light, fun story of a girl from the wrong side of the tracks mistaken for a rich man's widow
	Mudbound	2017	*****	Two WWII soldiers - one black, one white - return to the reality of racist Mississippi - extraordinary characters and performances
	Mujer de Mi Hermano, La	2005	***	Mexican - fairly standard tale of family secrets and brotherly revenge but beautifully produced - entertaining
	Mulligans	2008	***	Mildly entertaining story of a father who has been hiding his homosexuality who has an affair with his son's best friend - just barely three stars but pretty good acting
	Mumford	1999	***	Small town characters and their problems - mildly entertaining
	Munich	2005	*****	Supposition of the events of retaliation after the murder of the Israeli athletes at the 1972 Olympics - engrossing look at the mindset of governments of terror and revenge
	Muppets, The	2011	***	This movie version with the famous puppets is entertaining but gets a little maudlin at the end - still fun though
	Murder at 1600	1997	***	DC police detective involved in a murder and cover-up at the White House - entertaining fluff
	Murder by Death	1976	***	Take off on old dying one by one mysteries - trashy and fun
	Murder By Numbers	2002	***	Detective and her partner after killers - good entertainment
	Murder in Portland	2002	*	Murder in the gay community - amateurish and hokey - the kicker is that a "straight" cop discovers he is "gay" when he goes undercover to solve the murders - give me a break!
	Murder in Suburbia: Season 1	2004	*****	Well done British television series about two young women detectives solving murders in the "perfect" world of the suburbs - very witty and entertaining
	Murder in Suburbia: Season 2	2005	*****	Second season of British television series about two young, women police detectives solving crime with lots of witty situations is just as good as the first season - too bad that the second season was the end of the run
	Murder in the First	1995	*****	Tour de force acting in this story based upon fact about the conditions of Alcatraz Prison in the late 30's and early 40's
	Murder in Three Acts	1986	**	This made for television Christie mystery is way overacted and not very entertaining - except for the extraordinary mansion where one murder is committed
	Murder of Crows, A	1999	***	Mildly entertaining story of a disgraced lawyer who is framed for a series of murders - somewhat amateurish but watchable
	Murder of Quality, A	1991	****	British made for television murder mystery has great acting and equally interesting characters
	Murder on the Orient Express	1974	****	Superior production values makes the all-star Hercule Poirot mystery a real winner - great extra features on the DVD - click to read a joint review of this film and Death on the Nile
	Murder on the Orient Express	2017	****	This version is very well done with a far more active Poirot - great acting and production values - great extra features on the DVD

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	Murder Room, The	2004	☆☆☆☆	British mini-series about murders at a museum that has a display of famous murders - good plot and acting
	Murder with Mirrors	1985	☆☆☆☆	This Christie mystery with Helen Hayes as Miss Marple is a cut above average with witty exchanges between Marple and the investigating detective a highlight - post-stroke Bette Davis is more-or-less used as scenery - sad
	Murderball	2005	☆☆☆	Documentary that is an interesting look at quadriplegic rugby teams
	Murderers Are Among Us, The	1946	☆☆☆	German - first film made by a German company after WWII - interesting psychological study of guilt and redemption
	Murderland	2009	☆☆☆	British mini-series concerning an obsessed young woman who is seeking the murderer of her mother
	Murders in the Rue Morgue	1932	☆☆	Lugosi without Karloff - really a pretty bad version of the famous book
	Murdoch Mysteries: Season 1	2008	☆☆☆☆	Pleasing characters in this series about a very scientific Canadian police detective solving crimes during the Victorian Era
	Murphy's Law: Series 2	2004	☆☆☆☆	This series contains six fifty-minute episodes -all interesting and entertaining with even more insight into Murphy's character
	Music and Lyrics	2006	☆☆☆	Enjoyable fluff about an aging rock star and the young woman who helps him write another hit song - made even more enjoyable the talent and personality of the two main stars
	Music from Another Room	1997	☆☆☆	A young artist shakes up the lives of the family he meets
	Music Lovers, The	1970	☆☆☆☆	Ken Russell's highly erotic view of the life of Tchaikovsky - way over the top but still fascinating
	Music Never Stopped, The	2010	☆☆☆☆	Story based upon an actual person about a man with a large brain tumor who could only communicate through music that he loved as a youth - great acting
	Music of the Heart	1999	☆☆☆☆	True story of a superior music teacher in Harlem - great acting
	Music Within	2007	☆☆☆☆	Inspiring story about the man who lead the fight for equal opportunity laws - interesting and likeable characters
	Musketeer, The	2001	☆☆	Latest telling of the classic tale - pretty weak
	Must Love Dogs	2005	☆☆☆☆	A witty and well acted look at modern middle agers back in the dating scene after divorce - an "adult" look that refrains from the common pitfalls of becoming too silly
	My Afternoons with Margueritte	2010	☆☆☆☆	French - a beautiful little tale of a great beast of a man who has always been told that he was not very smart who meets a gentle lady in the park who encourages him to read - great acting with lots of interesting characters
	My All American	2015	☆☆☆☆	Highly idolized version of an actual football player but still very much entertaining with extremely likable characters
	My Baby's Daddy	2004	☆	Completely useless "comedy" about three friends who unexpectedly become fathers
	My Best Enemy [Mein Bester Feind]	2011	☆☆☆	Austrian - story of a Jewish family in Austria and how their friend turned against them during the Nazi regime - an improbable tale but still entertaining - some touches of humor

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	My Best Friend [Mon Meilleur Ami]	2007	★★★★	French - witty comedy/drama about a man who discovers he has no real friends and his relations with a cab driver whom he wants to claim as his best friend in order to win a bet - great acting
	My Big Fat Greek Wedding	2002	★★★★	Ethnic fun
	My Big Fat Greek Wedding 2	2016	★★★	Mildly entertaining sequel to the original - with its share of quirky and likeable characters
	My Boy Jack	2007	★★★	Fact-based story of Rudyard Kipling's son who was killed at age eighteen in WWI - entertaining but nothing special
	My Brother is an Only Child [Mio Fratello È Figlio Unico]	2007	★★	Italian - story of two brothers involved in Italian politics of the 1960's and 70's - both are brutish characters who have little control of their emotions - unpleasant
	My Dog Skip	2000	★★★★	Very good feel-good movie based upon a true story - not as sad as you would suspect
	My Dog the Champion	2013	★★★	Simplistic feel-good tale of a girl who goes to stay with her grandfather for the summer and becomes attached to a dog - stilted acting with no real depth to the characters - just barely three stars
	My Dog: An Unconditional Love Story	2010	★★★★	Entertaining documentary about some famous people and their dogs
	My Fair Son	2007	★	Chinese - I suppose this is a film about a young man and his father coming to terms as to the son's sexuality but it is so dull and boring that it is almost unbearable to watch
	My Family [Mi Familia]	1995	★★★	Story of three generations of a family of Mexican heritage living in Los Angeles - kind of hokey but still mildly entertaining
	My Family [Mi Familia]	1995	★★★	Fairly interesting story of a Hispanic family living in Los Angeles from the 1930's to the present
	My Family and Other Animals	2005	★★★★	Life with an unusual family on a Greek isle just before the outbreak of World War II - based upon real life - witty and entertaining
	My Father and I [Comment J'ai Tué Mon Pere / How I Killed My Father]	2001	★★★	French - interesting film with complex relationships telling of a man who cannot forgive his father for deserting him
	My Father the Hero	1994	★★	Creepy comedy about a fourteen year old girl who tells people at a resort that her father is her lover - lots of lame slapstick
	My Father, My Mother, My Brother, and My Sisters	1999	★★★	French - entertaining movie about bringing together of several fathers and children by one woman
	My Führer [Mein Führer]	2007	★★★★	German - it is the last days of the Reich - Hitler is depressed and cannot make a speech, so they call in a Jewish actor to help - great dark satire about the Nazis
	My House in Umbria	2003	★★★★	Unusual tale of a woman who takes in survivors of a train bombing in which she was a victim
	My Life as a Dog [Mitt Liv Som Hund]	1985	★★★	Swedish - low-keyed tale of a boy who must go to live with an uncle when his mother is taken ill - interesting look at a difficult childhood
	My Life in Ruins	2009	★★★	Story of an uptight American woman acting as a guide for tourists in Greece who finds a new viewpoint on life - just barely three stars
	My Life So Far	1999	★★★★	Growing up comedy - very entertaining - good acting
	My Life Without Me	2003	★★★★	Well-done treatment of a young woman who finds she is going to die and the actions she takes in the last months of her life

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	My Mexican Shivah	2007	☆☆☆	Mexican - comic drama of a family coming together after the death of the father - twist is that it is a Jewish/Mexican family - some good moments
	My Mom's New Boyfriend	2008	☆☆☆	Crime caper that is o.k. but spoiled by the overacting of Meg Ryan as the mom
	My Mother's Castle [Le Château de Ma Mère]	1990	☆☆☆	French - a highly romanticized version of the childhood of a famous French filmmaker - a bit sugary but still a beautiful little film
	My Name is Khan	2010	☆☆☆☆	Indian - highly melodramatic telling of an Indian man who comes to live in the United States and then is subjected to prejudice after the World Trade Center attack - good acting - great scenery and music
	My Old Lady	2014	☆☆	Depressing tale of a hopeless, disillusioned drunk who finds that his father had a long-term affair with a woman who now occupies an apartment in Paris that is his only inheritance
	My One and Only	2009	☆☆☆☆	Based upon the teenage life of George Hamilton - great acting a personalities - lots of fun with a beautiful '50's Cadillac as co-star
	My Sister's Keeper	2009	☆☆☆☆	A girl who was designed to be a donor for a sick older sister decides to sue her parents for the rights to her own body - heartfelt plot and characters
	My Son the Fanatic	1999	☆☆☆	Problems of an Indian man and his family living in England - interesting insight into culture clash
	My Straight Son [Azul y No Tan Rosa (Blue and Not So Pink)]	2012	☆☆☆☆	Venezuelan - fairly well done tale of a gay man whose teenage son comes to visit during a very stressful time - some weak moments but still pretty good
	My Week with Marilyn	2011	☆☆☆☆	Entertaining look back at 1956 and a very neurotic Marilyn Monroe - great acting - very good special feature on the DVD
	My Wife is an Actress	2002	☆☆	French - ego problems of a man with a more successful wife - pretty lame
	My Wife Maurice [Ma femme... s'appelle Maurice]	2002	☆	French - farce about a cheating husband - really stinky
	My Worst Nightmare [Mon Pire Cauchemar]	2011	☆☆☆☆	French - comedy about a rough-hewn worker who literally moves in with a sophisticated couple and changes their lives - great acting
	My X-Girlfriends's Wedding Reception	2001	☆☆	Vignette format of people at a wedding reception - a good start but drags toward the end
	My Year Without Sex	2009	☆☆☆☆	Australian - what is expected to be a comedy turns out to be a thoughtful family drama concerning a mother who is recovering from an aneurysm - realistic characters, complex situations, and very good acting
	Mysteries of Lisbon [Mistérios de Lisboa]	2010	☆☆☆☆	Portuguese - this is a long, long movie - four and a half hours - with stories revolving around a boy left to grow up in a monastery and the priest who is his mentor - I was dissatisfied with the ending, but the whole thing certainly holds your interest
	Mysterious Skin	2005	☆☆☆☆	Well done film about the effects of sexual abuse upon two teenage boys - good acting all around
	Mystery Date	1991	☆☆☆	Another "young love" story that is entertaining and watchable
	Mystery Men	1999	☆	A really dumb comedy about super heros
	Mystery of Mr. Wong, The	1939	☆☆☆	Boris Karloff as, of all things, a Chinese detective with a British accent solving a murder - fun B mystery flick
	Mystery of the 13th Guest, The	1943	☆☆	Standard who-done-it with attempts at lame humor - the murderer is found but the mystery of the title is never revealed

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	Mystery Road	2013	***	Australian - an indigenous police detective returns to his outback home town and becomes involved with the murders of local girls - dark and confusing - murky plot
	Mystery Road	2018	****	Australian - limited series about the search for two young men missing from a cattle station in Western Australia - characters based upon 2013 movie of the same name - interesting look at the relationships between settlers and the indigenous people
	Mystic Masseur, The	2002	***	1945 Trinidad - man returns to his roots - fairly entertaining
	Mystic River	2003	*****	Hard look at how people let circumstances rule their lives - usually with tragic results - superior movie
	Naked Boys Singing!	2007	***	Fairly standard off-Broadway-type musical made different by the all male cast being nude most of the time - a few witty and touching songs give it three stars
	Naked Civil Servant, The	1975	****	Surprisingly entertaining biography of Quentin Crisp
	Naked States	2000	***	Documentary about Spencer Tunick who takes photographs of scads of nude people - interesting
	Names of Love, The [Le Nom Des Gens]	2010	****	French - love story of two people with relatives affected strongly by political events - she is a free spirit who has sex with right-wingers in order to convert them - he is a closed-off man whose grandparents were exterminated during WWII - funny but ultimately very touching
	Namesake, The	2006	*****	Beautiful film depicting the lives of two generations - the parents are emigrants from India whereas the children (focusing upon the son) were born in the U.S. - wonderful characters
	Nanny Diaries, The	2007	*	Lame story of a woman who graduates from college and takes a job as a nanny - unbelievable and boring characters
	Napoleon Dynamite	2004	*	I suppose this movie peopled with bizarre characters is funny to someone, but I just found it boring - perhaps I'm too old to appreciate "modern humor"
	Nappily Ever After	2018	***	Mildly entertaining comedy drama about an African-American woman who learns that appearance isn't the end all
	Narc	2002	*	Dark cop story in which two rogue cops try to redeem themselves - made for the young, violent, drugged-out
	National Lampoon's The Legend of Awesomest Maximus	2011	***	Gladiator spoof that is surprisingly entertaining - I can't believe I actually enjoyed it
	National Security	2003	*	Really worthless buddy comedy
	National Treasure	2004	****	A silly treasure hunt movie but none-the-less an entertaining treat with good acting and production values
	National Treasure: Book of Secrets	2007	**	Lame sequel - totally ridiculous plot - waste of time
	Nature: Raccoon Nation	2011	***	Documentary about how intelligent raccoons are and how they learn from their environment - interesting
	Nebraska	2013	*****	A total delight of quirky characters and heart in this story of a son who takes his father on a trip
	Ned Kelly	1970	*	Story of a famous Australian outlaw - dull and boring with bad acting by star Mick Jagger
	Ned Kelly	2004	****	Highly romanticized version of the outlaw story but very enjoyable

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	Neighbors	2014	★	I rented <i>Neighbors</i> and <i>Sex Tape</i> together thinking of enjoying some low-class humor, but both turned out to be so bad that they make junior high school boys' comments about sex seem sophisticated - both are totally worthless wastes of time
	Network	1976	★★★★	Dark comedy about money and fame grabbing network executives who take advantage of a newscaster's mental breakdown - still holds its own after all of these years
	Nevada Smith	1966	★★★★	Steve McQueen and lots of good stars in this exciting, watchable flick
	Never Let Me Go	2010	★★★★	Heartbreaking story of three children who are raised in an institution to become organ donors and the love that they shared - difficult to watch but intriguing
	Never Too Late	1965	★★★	Paul Ford shines in this silly comedy about a man in his 60's who is shocked by his wife's pregnancy - extreme comedy doesn't hold up well over the years
	New Guy, The	2001	★★★	Boy with shady past goes to new school - watchable
	New In Town	2009	★★★★	Romantic comedy about a hard-driving woman executive who goes from Miami to a cold, cold, cold Minnesota town to restructure a factory - good acting with lots of great quirky characters
	New Port South	1999	★★	Youth again high school officials - not that great
	New Street Law: Series 1	2006	★★★★	British version of <i>L.A. Law</i> is very well done - interesting cases, interesting characters, and excellent acting
	New Street Law: Series 2	2007	★★★★	Second season of this British series was actually better than the first - good cases and interesting personal entanglements - ends in a cliff-hanger car crash
	New Suit	2003	★★★	Using the theme of "The Emperor's New Clothes" to spoof the phoniness of Hollywood - entertaining
	New Tricks: Season 1	2003	★★★★	British series about retired police detectives who consult on cold cases - good, quirky characters and interesting crimes
	New Tricks: Season 2	2004	★★★	Second season has some good crimes to solve but the "quirkiness" of the older detectives goes a bit over the top
	New Twenty, The	2009	★★	Five friends just turning thirty have problems with relationships - annoying people who spend their time feeling sorry for themselves
	New Waterford Girl	1999	★★★	City girl "invades" a country town
	New Year's Eve	2011	★★★	All star cast in a collection of stories all taking place in NYC on New Year's Eve - some stories better than other but a pleasant experience over all
	New York, I Love You	2008	★★	A New York version of <i>Paris, Je T'aime</i> only this one has boring characters and stories
	Newton Boys, The	1998	★★★★	True story of America's most successful bank robbers - good solid entertainment
	Next	2007	★★★	Thriller about a man who can see two minutes into his own future - another movie outdone by special effects
	Next Best Thing, The	2000	★★	Woman and a gay guy have drunken sex which leads to a baby - their life thereafter - not very entertaining
	Next Big Thing, The	2002	★	Lame "comedy" about a struggling artist who is made "famous" by a con man and crook - very weak

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	Next Three Days, The	2010	★★★★	Well done thriller about a man who decides to break his innocent wife out of prison after all legal measures have failed - good acting with an exciting, complex plot
	Next Time I'll Aim for the Heart [La Prochaine Fois Je Viserai le Coeur]	2014	★★★★	French - based upon an actual case - a look at a serial killer who is also a gendarme who terrorized an area in the late 1970's - interesting in that is from the point of view of the murderer
	Next Year in Jerusalem	1997	★★★★	Story of two gay Jewish men - one living the gay life and the other in the closet - amateurish home movie quality but fairly good acting and plotline - never thought it would get four stars but it did
	Nice Guys, The	2016	★	Disappointing action flick about two low-life private investigators who stumble upon a major crime
	Nico and Dani	2000	★★	Spanish - coming of age story - just watchable
	Night Falls on Manhattan	1997	★★★★	A district attorney is forced to question his faith in the law and his loyalty to loved ones - dark and entertaining
	Night Larry Kramer Kissed Me, The	2000	★★	Gay angst - not very entertaining
	Night Listener, The	2006	★★★★	Fascinating and well-acted film based upon actual mysterious phone calls to Armistead Maupin - the film is based upon the novel that he wrote based upon the experience - interesting special features on the DVD
	Night of the Generals, The	1967	★★★	Mixed up tale of trying to find a Nazi general who committed a vicious murder - all this being involved in the plot to kill Hitler - strange film
	Night of the Shooting Stars, The [La Notte di San Lorenzo]	1982	★★★	Italian - strange and bittersweet tale of a group of people from a small town who escape the threat of the Nazis and the Fascists as the Allies move into Italy
	Night Stalker / Night Strangler	1970's	★★★★	TV movies about a vampire - standard characters but entertaining
	Night Sun [Il Sole Anche di Notte]	1990	★★★★	Italian - story of a man forsaken by love who turns to religion - beautiful images in the enigmatic tale
	Nightcrawler	2014	★★★★	Disgusting, yet intriguing, look at an amoral young man who becomes successful in the world of freelance news cameramen - great acting and atmosphere
	Nightfall	2012	★★★	Chinese - police action drama - a little hokey at times but a pretty good plot and very good acting
	Nights in Rodanthe	2008	★★★	Nicely done romance about two people at loose ends - good acting
	Nightstalker	2002	★	Female cop looking for fiend - watched only 15 minutes
	Nijinsky	2002	★★	Muddled documentary of the dancer's life - could have been much better
	Nine Dead Gay Guys	2003	★★★★	Silly farce about two Irish hustlers looking for cash in London - over the top but fairly witty
	Nine Lives	2005	★★★★	Separate stories of nine women slightly overlapping with crossover characters - interesting - very good acting
	Nine Lives	2016	★★★	A wealthy, distant father who is in a coma has his spirit moved to a cat and learns some lessons in life - mildly entertaining
	Nines, The	2007	★★★	Strange story about a man who has a sense of other lives - all with common factors - great acting in this supernatural tale
	Ninth Day, The [Der Neunte Tag]	2004	★★★★	German - intriguing film based upon fact about a priest who is asked to be complicit with the Nazis in order to save himself and fellow priests from concentration camp

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	Nixon	1995	★★★★★	Great film about the complex, dark President
	No Country for Old Men	2007	★★★★	Dark comedy/drama/thriller about a psychotic killer looking for an everyday man who has stumbled across drug money and the aged sheriff who is pursuing them both - great acting - super characters
	No Escape	2015	★★★★	Fairly standard action flick about a family trapped in a Southeastern Asian country during a coup - exciting and a good guilty pleasure - the major downside is the obnoxious daughters of the family
	No Looking Back	1998	★★★	Romance - girl stuck with low-life guy - old boyfriend returns to town - light entertainment
	No Man Is an Island	1962	★★★	WWII story based upon fact about a single sailor left on Guam during the Japanese occupation - not great but watchable
	No Night Is Too Long	2002	★★	A bisexual university student becomes involved in affairs that bring betrayal and murder - very slow moving - a two hour movie that should have been ninety minutes
	No One Sleeps	2000	★	A gay AIDS "mystery" - boring muddled mess
	No Ordinary Love	1994	★★	Housemates in the Hollywood Hills - are they straight or gay - who cares!!
	No Place on Earth	2012	★★★★	Intriguing documentary about a group of Ukrainian Jews who hid in a cave from the Nazi invaders (and their fellow citizens) for almost two years
	No Regret [Huhwihaji Anha]	2006	★★★★	Korean - story of the rocky love affair of two men from different classes - fairly good for the most part, but the over-the-top ending removed a star from my evaluation
	No Reservations	2007	★★★★	Low-keyed love story about an independent chef who takes over the care of her orphaned niece - pleasant entertainment - good acting
	No Second Chance [Une chance de Trop]	2015	★★★★	French - a bit circumspect but still an exciting limited series about a woman whose daughter is taken after a home invasion
	No Strings Attached	2011	★★★	Romantic comedy of friends with benefits - standard fare but likeable characters
	No Such Thing	2002	★	A newswoman finds a monster in Iceland and exploits him - really bad
	No Turning Back	2001	★	An illegal immigrant in California has one bad break after another - amateurish acting and production
	No Way Out	1987	★★★★★	This spy and conspiracy thriller is grand entertainment
	No Way Out [Walang Kawala]	2008	★	Filipino - gay-themed film about human trafficking - not very good
	No Way to Treat a Lady	1968	★★★	Rod Steiger has a field day playing a momma's boy murderer - fun and entertaining
	Nobel	2016	★★★★★	Norwegian - limited series about a soldier stationed in Afghanistan, his diplomat wife, and political double dealings regarding oil in the war zone - intriguing characters with tons of dramatic action - the title is a bit of a mystery as the Nobel Prize plays just a small part in the series
	Nobel Son	2008	★★★	Entertaining twist and turn mystery / comedy about the kidnapping of a selfish Nobel laureate's son
	Noble Things	2008	★★	A country singer tries to reclaim his life - basically boring

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	Nobody Else But You [Poupoupidou]	2011	★★★★★	French - an author of criminal mysteries becomes involved in the supposed suicide of a local celebrity whose life is very much like that of Marilyn Monroe - good mystery and very interesting characters
	Nobody Knows [Dare mo shiranai]	2005	★★★★	Japanese - very long and slowly paced tale based upon fact about four children trying to survive after being deserted by their mother - the big disappointment is that there is no conclusion after two and a half hours of being painfully involved in these children's lives
	Nocturnal Animals	2016	★★	Psychological drama that drags with an unfulfilling ending - too bad considering the star power and excellent production values
	Noel	2004	★★★	Interwoven stories of lonely people in NYC at Christmastime - great acting but the whole thing would have been better had the stories been a little more believable and more tightly interwoven
	Noise	2007	★★★★	A New Yorker suffers a mid-life crisis but instead of having an affair, he goes after unnecessary noise makers - especially car alarms - good acting in this thoughtful film - click to read a full review
	Noise	2007	★★★	Australian - character study of a policeman who is suffering medical, personal, and career crises - slow moving but interesting
	Nomi Song, The	2005	★★★★	Documentary about performance artist Klaus Nomi who was famous in the 1980's - a very interesting and sad character
	Non-Stop	2014	★★★★	Solid, mindless entertainment in this action thriller about someone killing people on a plane in flight - fun
	Nora	2000	★★★★	Story of James Joyce and his lover - intriguing characters
	Nora's Will [Cinco Días sin Nora: Five Days Without Nora (original title)]	2008	★★★★★	Mexican - extremely witty and well-done dark comedy about a man making arrangements for his ex-wife after her death from suicide
	Norbit	2007	★★	A domineering fat woman with a wimp of a husband - single joke carried to the point of boredom
	Normal	2003	★★★★	Strangely entertaining movie about a middle-aged man who decides to have a sex change and its effects
	Normal Heart, The	2014	★★★★	Movie based upon the play about the beginning of the AIDS health crisis in New York - very good acting
	Norman: The Moderate Rise and Tragic Fall of a New York Fixer	2016	★	Story of an unlikeable wheeler dealer - unpleasant subject - unpleasant film
	North & South	2004	★★★★	British mini-series about a young woman in 19th Century England whose family moves from the bucolic South to the industrial North - entertaining melodrama of manners
	North and South: Book 1	1985	★★★★	Mini-series of John Jakes novels - this one takes place in a twenty year period before the Civil War and establishes the friendship between two men - one from the North and the other from the South - lots of star power and cliché characters but a great guilty pleasure
	North and South: Book 2	1986	★★★★	Second mini-series - this time of Jakes's novel <i>Love and War</i> - lots of battle scenes - still has cliché characters - but some have more substance than in the first series
	North and South: Book 3	1994	★★★	Third mini-series of the last novel in the trilogy <i>Heaven and Hell</i> - not as entertaining as the first two

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	North by Northwest	1959	★★★★★	Superior Hitchcock chase thriller - excellent special features
	North Country	2005	★★★★★	Excellent acting in this film based upon the events surrounding the first class action sexual harassment suit - a gripping pleasure
	North Face [Nordwand]	2008	★★★★	German - based upon an actual event - story of four climbers who attempted to scale the north face of the Eiger in 1936 with tragic results - engrossing character study
	North Sea Texas [Noordzee, Texas]	2011	★★★	Moody piece about a gay teen and his attraction for a boy three years his senior
	North to Alaska	1960	★★★★	Standard John Wayne formula action comedy - still fun after all these years
	Northanger Abby	2007	★★★	Entertaining fluff of this Jane Austen story published after her death - likeable characters and good production values
	Northern Kingdom, The	2007	★★★	Dysfunctions of three families in northern Vermont - good acting but never really reaches any conclusions - just barely three stars
	Northfork	2003	★★	The Polish brothers provide intriguing visuals but the story is rather slow and too enigmatic
	Nosferatu	1929	★★★★★	German - the original silent flick - still scary
	Nosferatu the Vampyre	1979	★★	German - just fairly entertaining version of the story
	Not Another Teen Movie	2001	★★★★	Spoof of teen movies - mindless fun
	Not As a Stranger	1955	★★★★★	Olivia de Havilland, Rober Mitchum, Frank Sinatra, Gloria Grahame, Broderick Crawford, and Charles Bickford in a tale of a young doctor who marries the plain girl to get her support for medical school - it's fun to wallow in such great 50's entertainment
	Not Fade Away	2012	★★★	1960's New Jersey teens trying to make it as a band - mildly entertaining
	Not Today	2013	★	Badly acted "have faith in God" story is just too saccharine to be tolerated
	Notebook, The	2004	★★★★★	I may be an old romantic but found this story of a love that lasts forever grand and beautiful - supported by superb acting and production values
	Notes on a Scandal	2006	★★★★★	Extraordinary character study of two lonely women - one evil and one foolish - hard topic but incredible acting all 'round - click to read a full review
	Nothing But the Truth	2008	★★★★★	Engrossing story of a woman reporter who sacrifices all in not disclosing her source of a story - click to read a full review
	Nothing Left Unsaid: Gloria Vanderbilt & Anderson Cooper	2016	★★★★★	Extraordinary documentary - mostly about Vanderbilt but with insight into Cooper - filled with knowledge
	Nothing Like the Holidays	2008	★★★	Pretty much a standard family getting together for the holidays flick except this one is a Puerto Rican family in Chicago
	November	2004	★★	Muddled tale of a woman whose boyfriend is killed in a holdup - or has he been killed - one of these where there are numerous versions of the events - all in the mind of the woman - never showing which is fact
	November Criminals	2017	★★★	A teenager and his girlfriend try to solve the murder of a friend - pretty standard but likeable characters
	Novo	2002	★	A man has sex with several women over and over but forgets each time - really bad
	Novocaine	2001	★★★	Dark, dark comedy about an everyday dentist who falls for a dangerous woman - solid entertainment

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	Now & Later	2009	☆☆☆☆	A white collar criminal on the run meets a free spirited woman who helps him change his views on life - an erotic pleasure
	Now Is Good	2012	☆☆	A teen dying of cancer tries to make the most of life - good acting, but not my cup of tea
	Now You See Me	2013	☆☆☆	Slick - perhaps too slick - crime thriller/mystery about four magicians who steal huge amounts of money - mildly entertaining
	Now You See Me 2	2016	☆	Overly long lackluster sequel with silly characters
	Now, Voyager	1942	☆☆☆☆☆	Bette Davis as the plain girl who blossoms - great melodrama with that famous cigarette lighting scene
	Nowhere in Africa	2001	☆☆☆☆☆	German - story of a Jewish family that escaped Nazi Germany to settle in Africa - moving
	Nuremburg	2000	☆☆☆☆☆	Excellent made for cable movie about the trial of a group of German soldiers after WWII - great acting
	Nurse Betty	2000	☆	A nurse obsessed with a TV star - disappointing - too weird for me
	Nuts	1987	☆☆☆	Streisand as a high-class hooker whose parents are trying to have her declared insane - entertaining
	Nutty Professor II: The Klumps, The	2000	☆☆	Eddie Murphy's many gross family characters - just doesn't cut it
	O Brother, Where Art Thou	2000	☆☆☆☆	Entertaining even though it has George Clooney - great music and period feel
	O Fantasma	2000	☆☆	Portuguese - strange story about a garbage man who has sexual adventures on the streets of Lisbon
	Object of My Affection, The	1998	☆☆☆	Girl gets pregnant but prefers gay roommate to be father figure - light and entertaining
	Oblivion	2013	☆☆☆☆	Science fiction about a man and women who have the job of maintaining drones on a destroyed Earth - the man soon begins to realize that all things are not as they seem - good story and acting - not too much shoot 'em up - entertaining
	Ocean Heaven [Haiyang Tiantang]	2010	☆☆☆☆	Chinese - story of a father who finds he is dying and must create a life for his adult autistic son - action star Jet Li in a very different role - beautiful film
	Ocean of Pearls	2008	☆☆☆☆	A Sikh surgeon moves from Canada to Detroit and makes the decision the cut his hair and not wear his turban so that he not be subject to prejudice - good movie - good acting - almost four stars
	Ocean's 8	2018	☆☆☆	Eight women decide to steal millions in jewels at the Met Gala - lots of glamor and humor - fun watching
	Ocean's Eleven	2001	☆	Really hated this remake
	October Gale	2015	☆☆☆	Far-fetched story about a widow who goes to clear out a vacation cabin and encounters a young man whom others are out to kill - watchable
	October Sky	1999	☆☆☆☆☆	True story of early space pioneers - great atmosphere and acting
	Odd Life of Timothy Green, The	2012	☆☆	Simplistic tale of a boy who comes into the life of a childless couple - extremely saccharine
	Of Gods and Men [Des Hommes et des Dieux]	2010	☆☆☆☆	French - supposedly based upon fact, the story of the fate of a group of French monks in Algeria during the time of the revolution - beautiful character study

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	Off the Black	2006	☆☆☆☆	Interesting story of a down and out baseball umpire who catches a student player vandalizing his house - he makes a bargain with the kid to pose as his son at a high school reunion - great acting
	Off the Map	2003	☆☆☆☆	Character study of a family living basically off the land and available throwaway items - not very realistic but very entertaining
	Office Christmas Party	2016	☆☆☆☆	Yet another comedic, raunchy outing that is so common now-a-days - this one is fairly entertaining with likeable characters and some good lines
	Office: Series 1, The	2001	☆	Not my cup of tea
	Oh Happy Day	2007	☆☆	This film about the complications in the affair of two men started out fairly well but then got over the top and unrealistic
	Oh, God!	1977	☆☆☆☆	I wasn't expecting much in watching this film from my past but it is still charming and entertaining - fun
	O'Horton	2007	☆☆☆☆	Norwegian - strange film about a retired railroad engineer - odd characters throughout
	Old Dogs	2009	☆☆	Silliness about two bachelors trying to take care of two children - an embarrassment for the stars
	Old Fashioned	2015	☆	Bland Christian-based tale about love and marriage
	Oldboy	2013	☆☆	Basically boring remake of Korean flick
	Oldboy [Oldeuboi]	2003	☆☆☆☆	Korean - surreal and bloody story of revenge - well acted but a bit over the top
	Olympus Has Fallen	2013	☆☆☆☆	This movie is basically <i>Die Hard</i> at the White House but it is good mindless entertainment
	Omagh	2004	☆☆☆☆	Story of the aftermath of an IRA bombing in 1998 that killed twenty-nine people - focuses on one of the families of the victims - based upon fact - chilling
	Omar	2013	☆☆☆☆	Palestinian - a young man working for the resistance is caught between his fight with the Israelis and the love for a girl - interesting characters and a frightful look at a society under siege
	Omen IV: The Awakening	1991	☆☆☆☆	This television movie is a toned-down version of the series with much less gore - truly nothing special but not totally horrible
	On a Clear Day	2005	☆☆☆☆	Engaging tale of a man in his fifties despondent over losing his job who exorcises his personal demons by training to swim the English Channel - great acting and characters
	On Chesil Beach	2017	☆☆☆☆	Tragic love story about a couple that realizes they are sexually incompatible on their wedding - even though they love each other, their relationship is over - great acting - painful to watch but still excellent entertainment
	On Edge	2001	☆☆☆☆	A "mockumentary" about women's figure skating - silly but better than you would expect
	On Golden Pond	1981	☆☆☆☆	This film may be romanticized but it is a great look at family relationships with actors' actors in the form of the Fondas and Hepburn
	On Guard [Le Bossu]	1997	☆☆☆☆	French - costume swashbuckler about a hero protecting the daughter of a murdered nobleman - good action and story - great special features on the DVD
	On My Way [Elle S'en Va]	2013	☆☆☆☆	French - Catherine Deneuve is wonderful to watch in this movie about a woman in her early seventies suffering a life crisis, but inconsistencies in the plot cause it to rate just barely three stars in my book

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	On the Air	1995	☆☆☆	South American - man tries to find the love of his youth - journey of discovery
	On the Other Hand, Death	2008	☆☆☆☆	Another in the adventures of gay private investigator, Donald Strachey - good mystery, production, and acting
	On the Other Side of the Tracks [De L'autre Côté du Périph]	2012	☆☆☆	French - action/comedy about two cops from different backgrounds looking for a murderer - pretty standard fare but entertaining
	On Wings of Eagles	2016	☆☆☆	This film shows the end of the life of famous runner Eric Liddell who was featured in the notable <i>Chariots of Fire</i> - this one lacks the punch of the famous film but is mildly enjoyable
	Once	2006	☆☆	Irish - unrequited love punctuated by pedestrian music - boring
	Once Around	1991	☆☆☆	A close-knit family's life is disrupted when a daughter marries an extremely boorish man - many improbable situations but good acting
	Once Upon a Time in Rio [Era Uma Vez...]	2008	☆☆☆☆	Brazilian - this retelling of <i>Romeo and Juliet</i> - this time it is a boy from the slums of Rio who falls for a wealthy girl - horrifying insight into slum life - ending is a bit simplistic and unbelievable
	Once Upon a Time in the Midlands	2002	☆☆☆	English - this movie is touted as a comedy, but I didn't see the situation of these working class people as very funny - it's a typical woman with good guy whose bad boy husband reenters the scene
	Once Upon a Time in Venice	2017	☆	Lame comedy about an eccentric private detective in Venice Beach
	Ondine	2009	☆☆☆	Colin Farrell is interesting to watch as a fisherman who finds a strange woman in his next, but this mystery is pretty much done in by the "precocious, all-seeing child" in the script
	One Day	2011	☆☆☆☆	The friendship and romance of two people over a period of twenty years has some good moments - enough for four stars - but I think the main characters are mis-casted
	One for the Money	2012	☆☆☆	Supposedly an action comedy about an out-of-work woman who starts working for a bail bondsman - some entertaining parts but just barely three stars
	One Hour Photo	2002	☆☆☆☆	Robin Williams as a stalker - great acting
	One in 2000	2007	☆☆	Documentary about people born with sexual organs that differ from the norm - interesting but did not fully explain the problems of the people interviewed
	One Last Dance	2003	☆☆☆	Old friends with old heartaches come together to save a starving dance company - pretty standard but some good dance scenes
	One Last Thing	2005	☆☆☆	Watchable tale of dying youth wanting a date with a famous model as his last wish - likeable characters in a fairly improbable story
	One More Kiss	1999	☆☆	Tale of a young woman dying of cancer who returns to her childhood home to reconnect with her father and one-time lover - the main characters in this movie are so selfish and unlikeable that it's not much of a pleasure to watch
	One Night in Turin	2010	☆☆	Dull documentary about British footballing - you should be British and a big fan of the sport to enjoy
	One of Them	1998	☆☆☆	New Zealand - the gay love of two teenagers - a little strange but entertaining

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	One That Got Away, The	1957	☆☆☆	Based upon fact about the only German prisoner of the British army who managed to escape and return to Germany during WWII - a little slow moving but interesting
	One to Another [Chacun sa Nuit]	2006	☆☆☆☆	French - extremely erotic murder mystery - based upon fact - about a young woman trying to find out who killed her brother - good acting all around - click to read a full review
	One Way	2006	☆☆	Wooden acting by the lead makes this mystery pretty much unwatchable
	One Week	2008	☆☆☆☆☆	A young man finds that he has Stage 4 cancer and decides to take a journey across Canada to the Pacific - along the way, he has life changing events - an excellent little film
	Onegin	1999	☆☆☆	Strange tale of a country girl in love with a Russian aristocrat
	One-Third	2006	☆☆	Slightly interesting by depressing tale about a Buddhist monk who becomes obsessed with a teenaged hooker
	Onion Field, The	1979	☆☆☆☆	Excellent version of the true story of the murder of a cop and the resulting effects upon his partner
	Onion Movie, The	2008	☆☆	Lame series of skits revolving around a news broadcast - just too juvenile for my tastes
	Only Human [Seres queridos]	2004	☆☆	Spanish - silly version of <i>Meet the Parents</i> involves a Jewish girl who brings home her fiancé who just happens to be Palestinian - really overdone in all ways - even worse than <i>Meet</i>
	Only the Brave	2017	☆☆☆☆	Story of the Granite Mountain Hotshots who lost nineteen members in a wildfire in 2013 - interesting look into the lives of the men - great extra features on the DVD
	Opal	2005	☆☆☆	Piece of fluff about a staid archeologist who goes to Greece and falls in love with a vivacious woman - just barely three stars
	Open Hearts [Elsker dig for evigt]	2002	☆☆☆☆	Danish - the lives of two couples are changed as a result of an accident - this film has no uplifting happy ending but is an insightful look at real life
	Open Range	2003	☆☆☆☆☆	Beautiful feel-good western
	Open Road	2013	☆☆	Dull tale of a woman trying to "find herself"
	Open Road, The	2009	☆☆☆	A road trip film with an estranged father and son - plus the estranged girlfriend of the son - some good acting but weak script - just barely three stars
	Open Water	2004	☆☆☆	Based upon fact - story of a couple who goes on a scuba diving trip and are left - good film with a feel of a home video
	Orange County	2002	☆☆☆	Above average high school graduate wants to escape - fun and entertaining except for Jack Black
	Oranges and Sunshine	2011	☆☆☆☆☆	Based upon fact - a British social worker uncovers an operation that took place in Britain in which children were taken from their homes and shipped off to Australia where they were told their mothers were dead and put in orphanage work camps - moving and well acted
	Oranges, The	2011	☆☆☆☆☆	Great dark comedy about marital discord and adultery in the suburbs - lots of very witty lines and scenes
	Ordeal by Innocence	2018	☆☆☆☆	Limited series of an Agatha Christie tale - a bit of over-acting, but it suits the dramatic situations
	Order, The	2003	☆	Slow, dull movie about a group of priests who follow a dark being

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	Ordinary People	1980	*****	Superior performances make this film an intense journey into relationship of parents and children - one of the few movies I have seen which is actually better than the book
	Ordinary Sinner	2002	***	Fairly entertaining film concerning religion and homophobia
	Orfeu	2000	****	Brazilian - a somewhat surreal tragedy of a talented young man from the slums of Rio who falls in love with an innocent young girl from the country - many strange and fascinating characters
	Orgazmo	1998	*	Silly adolescent trash isn't even watchable for a lark
	Original Sin	2001	***	Sexy woman con artist and man obsessed with her - good, hot entertainment
	Orlando	1992	****	Great movie with wonderful characters about a woman posing as a man
	Ornithologist, The	2016	**	Portuguese - surreal look at an ornithologist who is lost in the wilds after a boating accident - splendid scenery but lacking in entertainment value
	Orphans	2000	***	Scottish working class drama - dark but watchable
	Oscar and Lucinda	1997	***	Strange tale of two unusual people - one a man overwhelmed by his religious beliefs and one a woman unconventional for her time - who come together in Australia - interesting
	OSS 117: Cairo, Nest of Spies [Le Caire Nid d'Espions]	2006	****	French - comedy take-off of a James Bond type character who has no clue when it comes to diplomacy - absurd but very entertaining
	OSS 117: Lost in Rio [OSS 117: Rio Ne Répond Plus]	2009	**	The first OSS 117 movie was a real kick but this one withered - not nearly as funny - film makers should have stopped after one
	Other Boleyn Girl, The	2008	****	Beautifully produced and acted drama of Anne Boleyn, Henry VIII, and Anne's sister, Mary who has been pretty much lost to history
	Other End of the Line, The	2008	**	This romantic comedy about a man who falls for telephone operator in India is done in by some over-the-top characters - too bad because the two main stars seem likable
	Other Guys, The	2010	**	Absurd comedy buddy cop movie with few, if and, redeeming values - it seems that Will Ferrell basically spoils every movie he is in with his over-the-top behavior
	Other Side of Heaven, The	2001	****	Mormon missionaries in Tonga - interesting insights based upon a true story
	Other Side of the Bed, The	2002	**	Spanish - musical farce about the sexual antics of a group of Madrid twenty-somethings - ho hum!
	Other Side of the Street, The [Outro Lado da Rua]	2004	***	Brazilian - slow moving but interesting story of a lonely woman who sees a crime in an opposite apartment and decides to investigate
	Other Son, The [Le Fils de L'autre]	2012	*****	Great characters and acting in this tale about two young men - one Israeli and one Palestinian - who find out they were switched at birth - a beautiful independent film
	Other Voices, Other Rooms	1997	**	Pretty slow version of Capote's novel
	Other Woman, The	2010	***	Natalie Portman plays yet another mentally unstable woman as the young thing who breaks up her boss's marriage to another strange woman with an equally strange child - the whole thing is a little too bizarre for words
	Other Woman, The	2014	***	Entertaining comedy about a man's wife and his lovers seeking revenge for his cheating and lying

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	Others, The	2001	★★★★	Nicole Kidman is a great ghost story - nothing is as it seems!
	Otto; or, Up With Dead People	2008	★★	German - very strange film about a teenage gay zombie have a crisis - pretty weird but with a few good scenes
	Ottoman Lieutenant, The	2017	★★★★	Highly romanticized tale of an American woman volunteering in the Ottoman Empire at the first of WWI who becomes involved with an Ottoman soldier and the Armenian Genocide - entertaining with extraordinary scenery
	Our Brand Is Crisis	2015	★★★★	Interesting character study of amoral political promoters and a Bolivian presidential race
	Our Family Wedding	2010	★	A romantic comedy about a Black groom and a Latino bride and the clash between their family cultures - what could have been a fairly interesting film is done in by the absurd - supposedly comic - actions of the fathers
	Our Fathers	2005	★★★★★	Riveting telling of the Boston child abuse scandal that rocked the Catholic Church in 2000 - great acting - especially by the boys and men who played those abused
	Our Idiot Brother	2011	★★★★★	Charming comedy/drama about three sisters and their brother who is a good natured free spirit - endearing characters in this feel good flick
	Our Kind of Traitor	2016	★★★★	Spy thriller with a brain rather than a flick filled with fiery and bloody special effects - very much in the style of The Man Who Knew Too Much - very entertaining
	Our Lady of the Assassins	2000	★★★★	Spanish - drug crime in Medellin, Columbia - dark but watchable
	Our Little Sister [aka: Umimachi Diary]	2015	★★	Japanese - silly, lightweight story of a period in the lives of four sisters after the death of their father - not very entertaining
	Our Paradise [Notre Paradis]	2011	★★★★	French - a strange love story in which the older lover is a somewhat washed-up hustler who is also a homicidal maniac
	Our Souls at Night	2017	★★★★	A widow and widower in a small town begin a relationship much to the chagrin of the townsfolk and her son - solid performances by Jane Fonda and Robert Redford
	Out in the Dark	2012	★★★★	Israeli - a love affair between two men - one Israeli and one Palestinian - is complicated by politics and religious values - well done
	Out of the Ashes	2003	★★★★	Cable movie about a woman doctor who survived Auschwitz and her attempts to gain US citizenship - interesting but nothing special
	Out of the Blue	2007	★★★★★	New Zealand - true story of a mass killing that took place in a small village in 1990 - brilliantly produced and acted - click to read a full review
	Out of Time	2003	★★★★	Guilty pleasure in which Florida cop finds himself in the stew over - what else - a woman
	Outing Riley	2003	★★★★	Very well done story of a brother in a conservative Chicago Catholic telling the family that he is gay - a good combination of great acting, humor, and pathos
	Outlaugh Festival on Wisecrack, The	2007	★★	Series of gay comics most of which are fairly lame
	Outlaw	2007	★★★★	A group of ordinary men band together to punish criminals - somewhat muddled in script and story but still entertaining
	Out-of-Towners, The	1999	★★	Watchable remake of the 70's Neil Simon film
	Outrage	2009	★★★★	Documentary about gay politicians and staffers in the closet who do great injustice to gay Americans - very good

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	Outside Providence	1999	☆☆☆☆	Well done story of a young man surviving a dysfunctional family
	Outskirts, The [Okraina]	1998	☆	Russian - and you have to be Russian to appreciate this boring mess
	Outsourced	2006	☆☆☆☆	Feel good tale of a man who goes to India to train phone service personnel - sentimental but very enjoyable
	Over Her Dead Body	2008	☆☆☆	Selfish bride is killed minutes before her wedding and returns as a ghost trying to prevent new lover for her lost husband-to-be - mildly entertaining - just barely three stars
	Over the Hill Band, The [Meisjes]	2009	☆☆☆☆	Dutch - after the death of her husband, an elderly woman seeks to resurrect her old singing group - interesting with lots of heart
	Overboard	2018	☆☆☆☆	Fun remake of the great comedy - this time with a gender twist - likeable characters
	Overnight	2012	☆☆	Silly romantic tale of two people who meet on a plane ride from Los Angeles to New York - weak
	Overnight Delivery	1998	☆	Lame teenage road movie with likable stars
	Owd Bob	1998	☆☆☆	A teenager goes to live with his grumpy grandfather in Ireland - story centers around a competition for herding dogs - old and new secrets revealed - mildly entertaining
	Oxford Murders, The	2008	☆☆☆	An American student goes to Oxford and gets involved in murder - tries but doesn't really cut the mustard because of too many improbable events
	Oxygen	1999	☆☆☆	Cop drama about a kidnapped wife buried alive and the quest to save her - main cop character is just too kinky to believe but the performance by the always fascinating Adrien Brody as the villain makes the whole thing worthwhile
	Oy Vey! My Son Is Gay!	2009	☆	As you can tell by the title, this film is an insult to just about everybody - straight, gay, Jews, Catholics - a waste of time
	Oyster Farmer	2005	☆☆	Australian - a man hiding from his crime in a small oyster farming community - not very good
	Oz	1997	☆☆☆☆	HBO series about the horrors of prison life - gritty and unpleasant but fascinating characters
	P.D. James: Cover Her Face	1985	☆☆☆☆	Slow-moving but interesting murder mystery with lots of twists and turns
	P.S.	2004	☆☆	Not so great older woman finds younger man story - even though the acting is reasonable, the situations are just too far fetched
	P.S. I Love You	2007	☆☆☆	Pleasing romance in which a woman's dead husband has left letters for her after his death - likeable characters but nothing special - except the good music
	Pacific, The	2010	☆☆☆☆☆	This is HBO's <i>Band of Brothers</i> of the Pacific conflict in WWII - more personal and more brutal - highest quality in all aspects - excellent special features on the DVD
	Pacifier, The	2005	☆☆☆	Standard "fish out of water" tale made fairly watchable by likable characters - entertaining special features on the DVD
	Page Eight	2011	☆☆☆☆☆	A British MI5 agent learns of dirty dealings in the government and tries to put things right - excellent plot and acting
	Page Turner, The [La Tourneuse de Pages]	2007	☆☆☆☆	French - a teenager is distracted by a judge when auditioning for an arts school - later exacts her revenge - strange characters but intriguing
	Pain & Gain	2013	☆	This is supposed to be a comedy based upon the lives of two criminals but it is just a waste of time and talent

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	Painted House, A	2003	☆☆☆	Good Hallmark television movie of the experiences of a young boy in the 50's
	Painted Lady	1997	☆☆☆☆	A washed up singer gets involved in a murder investigation and art theft when the men who gave her support when she was down are murdered - great acting
	Painted Veil, The	2006	☆☆☆☆	Great old fashioned melodrama with a distant husband, a bored wife, an exciting lover, and beautiful scenery of 1920's China - click to read a full review
	Palace, The	2008	☆☆☆☆	One season British series about a young prince becoming king with machinations by his elder sister who thinks she deserves the title - entertaining soap opera
	Palmer's Pick-Up	1999	☆	Lame, absurd film about two losers who have to transport a mysterious crate across the country
	Pandaemonium	2000	☆☆☆☆	Relationship between English poets; Coleridge and Wordsworth - dark - disturbing - interesting
	Panic	2000	☆☆☆☆	A man who is seemingly normal but is actually a second generation hit suffers from a mid-life crisis - intriguing look at a bizarre father-son relationship - great acting
	Panic Room	2002	☆☆☆☆	Watchable thriller - very violent
	Papadopoulos & Sons	2012	☆☆☆☆	Predictable family comedy/drama about the rich son losing his money and having to seek help from the devil-may-care son - still has its moments
	Paparazzi	2004	☆☆☆☆	A good "guilty pleasure" movie in which a clean-cut Hollywood star wins out over the evil paparazzi - not great but fun
	Paper Chase, The	1973	☆☆☆☆	Story of the trials of first year Harvard law students - a little dated but entertaining
	Paper Towns	2015	☆☆☆☆	A high school senior who has been infatuated with the enigmatic girl across the street for ten years has an adventure with his friends precipitated by the actions of the girl - likeable characters
	Paradise	2013	☆	Lame tale of a woman who was reared in a strict, conservative community going to Las Vegas after surviving horrible burns - a waste of time and talent
	Paradise Now	2005	☆☆☆☆☆	Superior look at the lives of two, young suicide bombers in Palestine - click to read full review
	Paradise Texas	2005	☆☆	Cloying tale of an actor with a failing career who finds new hope when making a small film in his Texas home town - too, too sweet
	Paragraph 175	2000	☆☆☆☆☆	Documentary about Nazi oppression of gays - great
	Parallel Sons	1995	☆☆☆☆	Strange and tragic tale of a young man obsessed with Black culture never having met a Black man - he takes a young Black fugitive under his wing and everything goes wrong
	Paranoia	2013	☆☆☆☆	A young computer wiz gets pulled in to corporate conspiracy - mildly entertaining
	Paranoid	2016	☆☆☆☆	British police limited series with some interesting (and sometimes over-the-top) behavior in the ranks - still interesting to watch
	Pardon, The	2015	☆☆☆☆	Sugar coated story based upon fact about the only woman ever executed in the electric chair in Louisiana in the early 1940's - could have been a little grittier for my tastes
	Parental Guidance	2012	☆☆☆☆	Highly entertaining fluff about two "old fashioned" grandparents left in charge of their three grandkids - Billy Crystal makes it a complete treat

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	Parenthood	1989	*****	Humor, interesting three-dimensional characters, and superior acting make this a great family relationship movie
	Paris	2009	****	French - a group of basically unrelated stories of residents of Paris - all interesting with excellent acting - a quiet treat
	Paris 36 [Faubourg 36]	2008	****	French - sort of a poor man's <i>Moulin Rouge</i> - many of the same elements but somewhat weak in plot development - mildly entertaining
	Paris Can Wait	2016	****	The wife of a businessman is driven from Cannes to Paris by a flirty Frenchman and enjoys a trip full with interesting places, food, and experiences - a calm pleasure
	Paris, Je T'aime	2007	****	French - five minute stories set in different areas of Paris focusing upon relationships - most are very entertaining
	Park	2006	****	Silliness taking place during the lunch hour in a L.A. park - fairly pleasing comedy - fun - better than expected
	Parker	2013	****	This Jason Statham action flick has him seeking revenge upon those who wronged him - formulaic but lots of good action and the beautiful scenery of Palm Beach
	Parking Lot Movie, The	2010	****	Documentary that focuses on parking lot attendants at a Charlottesville lot right next to the university - interesting characters
	Parkland	2013	****	Events after the assassination of President Kennedy - well done
	Parrish	1961	*****	One of those great, old 60's "sexy" films with Troy Donahue as the strong-willed young man who beds every girl in sight - great supporting cast in this tale of Connecticut tobacco farms and a ruthless businessman
	Parting Glances	1986	**	Two gay men must part for a while - pretty boring
	Partition	2007	****	Story of a tragic love revolving around the partition of India and Pakistan - beautifully acted but somewhat slow moving
	Partners in Crime	2000	****	Fairly standard but watchable story of a law officer trying to solve a kidnapping with his ex-wife who is now an FBI agent
	Parts Per Billion	2014	*	Boring end of the world movie involving three couples - nothing really entertaining here
	Party Crashers, The	2001	*	Really horrible movie about three guys who go to a party to kidnap an heiress
	Party Monster	2003	****	Movie about a murder amongst the "club kids" in New York - you must know the history before seeing the movie because it is designed, basically, as a drug trip
	Passage to India, A	1984	*****	Great story of clash of cultures in colonial India
	Passchendaele	2008	****	Story of two Canadian soldiers in WWI - one young and idealistic and the other formally wounded and depressed - fairly entertaining but nothing special
	Passengers	2008	**	Plodding tale of a counselor working with survivors of a plane crash, but all is not what it seems - pretty much a waste of time
	Passengers	2016	****	Science fiction about a man who wakes up ninety years too soon on a hundred and twenty year space voyage and the results of the actions he takes - watchable but nothing special
	Passion Fish	1992	****	Interesting character study of an actress who loses the loss of her legs who goes back to her home in Louisiana and forms a bond with her nurse

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	Passion in the Desert	1997	*****	Totally improbable but bewitching tale of a soldier lost in the desert who forms a relationship with a leopard - a beautiful film both visually and spiritually
	Passion of the Christ, The	2004	*****	This much maligned but also highly praised film is hard to watch but, without a doubt, is the most effective depiction of the Crucifixion ever produced
	Passionada	2003	*	A gambler poses as a businessman in order to court a widow - her teenaged daughter knows his secret and blackmails him into teach her how to count cards - prett dull
	Passport to Pimlico	1949	**	British comedy about a village that discovers it is a sovereign country - a little tired
	Patrick Melrose	2018	***	Limited series about an extremely dysfunctional family - grim but entertaining
	Patrik, Age 1.5 [Patrik 1,5]	2008	*****	Swedish - a gay couple adopts a boy they think is one and a half years old but get a delinquent fifteen years old - great acting - realistic and heartfelt
	Patriot, The	2000	*****	A great movie to watch and enjoy - super special effects and special features
	Patriot's Day	2016	*****	Edge-of-your-seat telling of the events surrounding the Boston Marathon bombing of 2013 - good acting, great action, and an interesting look at the scope of the investigation
	Patton	1970	*****	A fascinating view of the famous general
	Paul	2010	*****	Two British science fiction nerds in the US to visit famous UFO sites find themselves on the run with an alien being chased by some very bad government guys - great fun - much better than I expected
	Paul Blart: Mall Cop	2009	**	Comedy about a loser security guard at a mall - totally silly waste of time
	Paul Blart: Mall Cop 2	2015	*	This poor effort really makes the idea that the sequel is far worse than the original - the first only got two stars from me
	Pawn Sacrifice	2015	***	A look at Bobby Fischer up until the time he won the world chess championship - disturbing picture of a brilliant man in mental decline
	Pawn Shop Chronicles	2013	*	Supposedly comic rednecks - instead just a waste of time
	Pay It Forward	2000	*****	Story of a little boy who wants to help people - heartbreak and calm happiness
	Paycheck	2003	*****	Actually a pretty good action thriller about a man who must solve a mystery that he created for himself at an earlier time
	Peace, Love & Misunderstanding	2011	***	Pleasant characters in this tale of an uptight professional woman who takes her children to visit their hippy grandmother
	Peacemaker, The	1997	***	Run of the mill political thriller about a terrorist who steals an atomic weapon - contains a pretty good car chase sequence
	Peacock	2009	*****	Strange tale of a quiet man in the 1960's - it is discovered that he has a wife that no one knew about - the twist is that his wife is actually the man in drag - sounds outrageous but is really a fascinating story
	Pearl Harbor	2001	*****	Not the best version of the story but definitely the best special effects - great bonus DVD disc - trashy fun - click to read the combined review, "Pearl Harbor Times Three"
	Peep World	2010	***	A dysfunctional family meets after the youngest son has written a tell-all novel - too many over-the-top situations - not funny, yet not really a drama

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	Peeples	2013	★	Totally useless "comedy" about a man visiting his fiancé's wealthy family
	Penelope	2007	★★★	Modern day fairy tale about a girl cursed with a pig's nose and ears - mildly entertaining
	People I've Slept With, The	2009	★★★★	Surprisingly entertaining romantic comedy about a woman who has had many sexual partners finds that she is pregnant - she tries to identify the father all the while falling in love with one of the men - charming characters
	People Like Us	2012	★★★	A man goes to the funeral of his estranged father and finds out secrets of his family - good idea but some over-the-top situations make just average
	People v. O.J. Simpson, The: American Crime Story	2016	★★★★	Well done limited series about the famous crime and trial - covers all of the aspects - really holds your interest through all ten episodes
	People vs. Fritz Bauer, The [Der Staat Gegen Fritz Bauer]	2015	★★★★★	German - fascinating character study about a real-life man who fought against the German establishment in order to punish Nazi war criminals
	People, Places, Things	2015	★★★★	A graphic artist and teacher is thrown for a loop when his wife asks for a divorce - this is the story of his slow recovery - well done comedy/drama with interesting characters
	Perfect Crime, The [Crimen Ferpecto]	2004	★★★★	Spanish - black comedy about a ladies' man who kills his boss and then is forced to seek help from an ugly fellow worker with big plans on her mind - kooky characters and broad humor make this movie very entertaining
	Perfect Day, A	2016	★★★★★	Dark comedy / drama about the trials of relief workers in the Balkans - interesting characters and situations
	Perfect Family, The	2011	★★★★	Kathleen Turner heads a great comedy drama about a tightly wound woman from a dysfunctional family trying to become the Catholic Woman of the Year
	Perfect Game, The	2009	★★★★	Based upon fact - the telling of the Mexican team that won the Little League World Series in 1957 - a little soft in its telling but still a good movie
	Perfect Host, The	2010	★★★	A criminal on the run talks his way into the house of a, seemingly, mild mannered man only to find himself in the clutches of a psychopath - good acting but nothing special
	Perfect Prey	1998	★★★	Pretty standard female law officer with psychological problems looking for serial killer - gets three stars due to the solid acting
	Perfect Sense	2011	★★★★	Science fiction in which the entire world begins to lose each sense starting with smell and its effect upon the world and a young couple in love - great characters and acting
	Perfect Son, The	2000	★★★	Complex tale of two brothers - one who is gay
	Perfect World, A	1993	★★★★	A prisoner on the run with a young boy - a very strange and entertaining road movie
	Perfume: The Story of a Murderer	2006	★★★★	German - fascinating story of an 18th Century boy who has an extraordinary sense of smell and commits murder to create the ultimate scent - click to read a full review
	Perks of Being a Wallflower, The	2012	★★★★★	Teen angst tale with a somewhat unbelievable script but with extremely likable and interesting characters
	Permanent Vacation	2007	★	This is supposed to be a wacky comedy, but it is just a mess of bad lines and bad taste - a waste of time
	Person to Person	2017	★	Dull independent film about basically dull New Yorkers

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	Personal Effects	2009	☆☆☆☆	Well-acted film that explores the emotions of relatives of two murder victims - somber but insightful
	Pest, The	1996	☆	Really horrible movie about a con artist in Miami' Little Havana
	Pete's Meteor	1998	☆	Problems in the Irish slums - boring and depressing
	Petit Lieutenant, Le	2006	☆☆☆☆	French - realistic, depressing, and sobering tale of members of a police crime unit - excellent acting and script
	Peyote	2013	☆☆	Another of hundreds of young man coming to terms with his sexuality flicks with somewhat cardboard characters
	Phantom	2013	☆☆☆	Good submarine tale - this time a Soviet sub - in which a radical takes over a sub with the intent of causing a nuclear war between the US and China - right blend of action and personalities
	Phantom of the Opera, The	2004	☆	I eagerly awaited the releasing of this film on DVD but was sorely disappointed by this over-long basically boring piece
	Phantom Thread	2017	☆☆	Atmospheric telling of a self-centered fashion designer and his affair and marriage to an enigmatic woman - good production but the actions of the characters are just too far afield - creepy
	Phat Girlz	2006	☆☆☆☆	Comedy about a fat girl gaining self-respect - very funny at beginning but lags through the middle with too much moralizing
	Phenom, The	2016	☆	Dull psychodrama with lackluster characters
	Phenomenon	1996	☆☆☆☆	Story of a kind, simple man who suddenly acquires extraordinary powers of intellect - solid performances make this mild-mannered drama worthwhile
	Philadelphia Experiment, The	1984	☆☆☆	Two sailors for WWII are sent to the future during an experiment to make a ship invisible to radar - far-fetched but mildly entertaining
	Philadelphia Experiment, The	2012	☆☆	Absurd science fiction in which a battleship bounces around from one place to another - bad script and mediocre acting
	Philly	2001	☆☆☆☆	One season lawyer series with interesting characters and cases - too bad it did not continue
	Philomena	2013	☆☆☆☆☆	True story of an Irish woman whose child was stolen from her by the Catholic church, and her search for him fifty years later aided by a reporter - heartfelt but with touches of humor
	Phoenix	2006	☆☆☆	Gay man finds that his visiting lover has a husband in Phoenix - better than the average film of this type
	Phone Booth	2002	☆☆	Man of ill-repute caught in a phone booth by a moralizing sniper - too fake to be that entertaining
	Physician, The	2014	☆☆☆☆	Epic drama in which an 11th Century man goes to the Middle East to study medicine in a Jewish center of learning - great romance and struggle
	Pianist, The	2002	☆☆☆☆☆	Excellent true story of a Polish Jew hiding from the Nazis - powerful scenes - super special feature on DVD
	Piano Teacher, The	2002	☆	Repressed teacher has affair with young student - really bad and boring
	Picnic at Hanging Rock	1975	☆☆☆☆☆	A hypnotic film depicting a mysterious disappearance in turn of the 20th Century Australia - beautiful scenery and music make it even better

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	Picture Bride	1994	★★★★	Fascinating look at Japanese women who were imported to Hawaii in the early 1900's to be brides for sugar cane workers
	Picture This: The Times of Peter Bogdanovich in Archer City, Texas	1991	★★★	Documentary about the making of <i>The Last Picture Show</i> and the sequel some nineteen years later - interesting
	Picture Windows	1995	★	Trilogy with big stars and big directors but not very good
	Pie in the Sky	1996	★	Silly movie about a guy who wants to become a traffic reporter
	Pieces of April	2003	★★★★	Beautiful "little" movie about a girl attempting to reconnect with her dying mother
	Pierrepoint	2005	★★★★	Biographical film about Albert Pierrepoint who was a famous British executioner - slow moving but an interesting character study with superior acting
	Pillars of the Earth, The	2010	★★★★★	Mini-series revolving around the struggle for the throne and the building of Kingsbridge Cathedral in 12th Century England - hours of guilty pleasure melodrama
	Pilot's Wife, The	2002	★★	Woman finds out more about dead husband's life - not very good
	Pineapple Express	2008	★★	Two stoners on the run from a drug king pin and a crooked cop who wants them dead - mildly amusing
	Pinero	2002	★	Story of underground poet - too dark and depressing for me
	Ping Pong Playa	2007	★★	Silly comedy about a boy of Chinese descent who wants to be a basketball player - fairly weak but with some likeable characters
	Ping Pong Summer	2014	★★	Lackluster tale of a teenager's summer experiences - nice characters but no real punch
	Pink Narcissus	1971	★	Artsy gay-themed film is just plain boring
	Pink Panther 2, The	2009	★★★	Standard slapstick fare but mildly entertaining
	Pink Panther, The	2006	★★	Remake has some good moments but, overall, pretty lame - pretty much a waste of talent
	Pioneer [Pionier]	2013	★★★★	Norwegian - story of deep sea divers who laid an oil pipeline in the 1980's - interesting thriller
	Pipe Dream	2002	★★	Silly tale about a plumber wanting to be more than just a plumber so he can get girls
	Pirate Radio	2009	★	Lame comedy about a group of DJ's broadcasting rock music to Britain from a ship off the coast in 1966
	Pirates of the Caribbean: The Curse of the Black Pearl	2003	★★	Mildly entertaining action flick done in be too many special effects
	Pit Stop	2013	★★★	Slow moving but realistic story of two lonely gay men in a small Texas town - good acting
	Place Beyond the Pines, The	2012	★★★★	Very long movie about a bank robber, a cop, and their two sons that resolves itself fifteen years after it starts - convoluted but still entertaining
	Place of Execution	2008	★★★	Mystery about a man executed for murder some forty years earlier, and a reporter uncovering some new facts - great acting but a weak and pretty far-fetched ending
	Place Vendôme	1998	★	French - really boring movie about selfish, mean people in the jewel selling business
	Places in the Heart	1984	★★★★★	A Depression era widow tries to keep her farm after the sudden death of her husband - wonderful deep characters are the mainstay of the film
	Plan B	2009	★	Argentinean - two guys discover they are attracted to each other - a waste of time

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	Planet 51	2009	☆☆☆	Animated fun about an astronaut who lands on a planet similar to Earth in the 50's - mostly for kids but some good moments
	Platoon	1986	☆☆☆☆	The horrors of the war in Vietnam are vividly depicted in this brutal, tragic movie
	Play the Game	2008	☆☆☆☆	Andy Griffith shines as a retirement home resident who becomes a player at the prompting of his grandson - lots of fun
	Playboys, The	1992	☆☆☆	Ireland in the 1950's - an independent girl gets pregnant and won't disclose the father - good characters - great acting
	Playing By Heart	1998	☆☆☆☆	Sex games in Los Angeles - good, strong cast and interesting stories
	Playing for Keeps	2012	☆☆☆	A former soccer star attempts to reconnect with his ex-wife and his son - mildly entertaining
	Please Give	2010	☆☆☆☆	A look at the lives of several New Yorkers centering around an apartment that a wealthy couple wishes to purchase - interesting character study
	Pledge, The	2001	☆☆☆☆	Jack Nicholson as burned-out cop on one last case - great, realistic characters
	Plot to Kill Hitler, The	1990	☆☆☆☆	TV movie of the final plot to assassinate Hitler with Brad Davis very good as von Stauffenberg supported by a great cast - in some ways better than the 2008 Tom Cruise vehicle
	Plunkett & Macleane	1999	☆☆☆☆	Silly but entertaining story of two highwaymen in 19th Century England - lots of action and fun
	Point Blank [À Bout Portant]	2010	☆☆☆☆	French - a nurse's wife is kidnapped in order to get him to help a criminal patient from the hospital - great action drama
	Point Men, The	2001	☆☆	Someone is killing an Israeli secret service team one by one - just barely watchable - some good action
	Poison	1991	☆	Gay angst - really horrible
	Police Beat	2005	☆☆	A native African trying to figure out his life while working as a bike cop - fairly dull
	Polish Bride, The [De Poolse Bruid]	1998	☆☆☆☆	Dutch - a woman running away from human traffickers comes to the farm of reclusive man - a relationship develops - well done but some over-the-top violence toward the end almost lost it a star
	Polisse	2011	☆☆	French - a muddled mess of disjointed scenes involving people who work for child protective services
	Politician's Wife, The	1996	☆☆☆☆	British mini-series about a politician who cheats on his wife - she forgives him on the surface but then plots his downfall - great acting
	Pompeii	2014	☆☆	Well produced gladiator flick - just not my cup of tea
	Poor Boy's Game	2007	☆☆☆☆	Well done film about a young man who has been in prison for a racially motivated crime who must deal with the victim's father after his release - good script - good acting
	Pope Dreams	2006	☆☆☆	Overly sentimental tale of a young man who wants to raise enough money to send his dying mother to Rome to see the Pope - pretty standard but appealing characters
	Por La Libre	2000	☆☆	Mexican - story of two cousins taking their grandfather's ashes to the sea - jumble of underdeveloped characters
	Porn Star: The Legend of Ron Jeremy	2001	☆☆☆	Documentary about the world's most famous porn star that I've never heard of - interesting story

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	Porn Theatre [La Chatte à Têtes]	2002	***	French - unusual film that shows an evening in a Paris porn theatre - dialog mainly with the woman who works the ticket booth - fascinating and disgusting at the same time
	Pornography: A Thriller	2009	*	Lackluster tale of a missing porn star posing as a surreal experience - waste of time
	Portrait of a Marriage	1990	**	Turgid, boring BBC production of what was an intriguing book - instead of exploring the lives of both members of the marriage, it focuses on just one affair of the wife
	Poseidon	2006	***	Entertaining remake of the disaster film - nothing special by holds your interest
	Possession	2002	***	Romance in which a modern-day couple researches two lovers in the 1800's - improbable but watchable
	Possible Loves	2000	***	Brazil - the loves of one man told in three different ways - entertaining
	Post Grad	2009	***	Romantic comedy about a college graduate who is forced to move back in with her kooky family - pleasant but just barely three stars
	Postcards from the Edge	1990	***	Based upon Carrie Fisher's life - both fun and sad
	Poster Boy	2006	**	The angst of the gay son of a conservative senator - done in annoying pseudo documentary style
	Postman Always Rings Twice, The	1946	****	Film Noir classic that is still a treat to watch
	Potiche	2010	***	French - silly comedy/drama about a woman who assumes the control of her husband's company in the late 1970's - good acting but a very weak plot
	Powder Blue	2009	**	A look at a group of lonely, depressed people - good actors but they just couldn't raise it above the barely two stars level
	Power of Attorney	1995	***	Story of an assistant district attorney who becomes the lawyer for a crime boss - lacks a little on production values but still watchable
	Prayers for Bobby	2009	****	Sigourney Weaver heads a superior cast telling the story of Mary Griffith who became a staunch gay rights activist after the suicide of her son who was rejected by his family citing religious values - heartbreaking and insightful
	Preacher's Wife, The	1996	**	Remake of <i>The Bishop's Wife</i> that doesn't quite make it
	Precious: Based on the Novel Push by Sapphire	2009	***	Extremely good acting in this depressing tale of a teenager with two kids, a destructive mother, and little chance of happiness
	Premium Rush	2012	****	Mindless action flick about bike messengers in New York City - lots of fun
	Premonition	2007	***	Very weak bouncing about in time mystery - lots of holes and totally improbable situations - just barely three stars
	Pressure	2002	*	Boys in a corrupted small town - really bad
	Prestige, The	2006	****	Great tale of mystery of two magicians seeking revenge upon each other for past grievances - great Victorian period look - good script and good acting - a treat to watch
	Presumed Innocent	1990	****	Harrison Ford, lust, political ambition, a murder trial, and a surprise ending all make for a great "guilty pleasure" film
	Pretty Bird	2008	*	Story of a wheeler-dealer - not my cup of tea
	Pretty Boy [Smukke dreng]	1993	***	Danish - a dark tale of a young teenager hustling on the streets and those who influence him

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	Pretty Ugly People	2009	☆☆☆	A group of friends are called together by the girl who was the fat one of the group when they were young adults - fairly interesting look at a group as they approach middle age
	Pretty Woman	1990	☆☆☆	Very entertaining "prostitute who is really a good girl" story - lots of fun
	Price Above Rubies, A	1986	☆☆☆☆	Renee Zellweger as Jewish wife attracted to a jewelry designer - good realistic story and characters
	Price Check	2012	☆☆☆	Depressing tale of a man under the influence of a "take no prisoners" boss - good acting
	Priceless [Hors de Prix]	2006	☆☆☆	French - beautiful gold digger woman falls in love with a poor man whom she thinks is rich - pretty standard
	Prick Up Your Ears	1987	☆☆☆☆	Interesting story of the life and death of British playwright, Joe Orton
	Pride	2006	☆☆☆	Lackluster telling of the true story of a swim coach at a Philadelphia recreation center who trains many swimmers and enables them to go on to college - watchable but nothing special
	Pride	2014	☆☆☆☆	Lots of interesting characters in this comedy / drama about a group of gay activists supporting the miners' strike in 1984 Great Britain - very entertaining and some very good music
	Pride and Glory	2007	☆☆☆☆	Well crafted police drama centering around a police family, corruption, and murder - superior acting and script - click to read a full review
	Pride and Prejudice	2005	☆☆☆	Entertaining filming of the novel with excellent production values
	Priest	1994	☆☆☆☆	Very interesting look at a priest torn between his calling and his male lover - strong and powerful characters
	Primary Colors	1998	☆☆☆☆☆	Bill Clinton-like man hopes to run for President - great acting and characters
	Prime	2005	☆☆☆☆☆	I really liked this witty and realistic romantic comedy - solid performances and a believable story make it a treat - click to read a full review
	Prime of Miss Jean Brodie, The	1969	☆☆☆	Very good acting in this story of a self-centered school teacher in 1930's Scotland
	Prime Suspect 1	1991	☆☆☆☆☆	First season of British television series - excellent portrayal of driven female detective trying to make her mark in the male-dominated world of the police - shows all the flaws of the characters
	Prime Suspect 2	1992	☆☆☆☆	The second season deals a great deal with racial strife and politics - not as good as the first but still solid entertainment
	Prime Suspect 3	1993	☆☆☆☆	In this season, the crime revolves around a ring of pedophiles - one of which is a high-ranking police official - solid entertainment
	Prime Suspect 4	1995	☆☆☆☆	The fourth season differs in that it features three crimes rather than just one - still has solid characters and a most interesting lead with many, many flaws
	Prime Suspect 5	1996	☆☆☆	Everything is way over the top in this one - not very believable story line or characters
	Prime Suspect 6	2004	☆☆☆☆	Eight years later, Jane is still getting into trouble but solving a vicious crime related to war crimes in Eastern Europe - excellent sequel
	Prime Suspect 7: The Final Act	2006	☆☆☆☆☆	As the sub-title implies, these are the final episodes in this long running, award winning series - it goes out with a bang with an interesting crime and Jane Tennison's many flaws coming to fore - some resolved - some not - solid entertainment

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	Prince and Me, The	2004	☆☆☆☆	This movie might have been really bad considering it is a playboy prince meets common farm girl story, but instead realistic characters and great acting make it a winner
	Prince of Tides, The	1991	☆☆☆☆☆	The ultimate of dysfunctional families create a fascinating tale aided by superior acting
	Princess and the Warrior, The	2000	☆☆☆	German - very strange heist film but interesting and watchable
	Princess Diaries 2, The	2004	☆☆	Continued fluff about the adventures of the average girl who finds she is a princess - this one is just a little too sweet
	Princess Diaries, The	2001	☆☆☆	Charming fluff about a girl who finds out she is a princess.
	Princess Kaiulani	2009	☆☆☆	Story of the last Hawaiian princess - good facts but the whole thing is rather slow moving
	Princess of Montpensier, The [La Princesse de Montpensier]	2010	☆☆☆	French - in 1570's France, a princess gives up all for the unrequited love of a man - as in many French films, the motives and actions of the characters are hard to fathom
	Prison on Fire	1987	☆☆☆	Life in a Chinese prison - interesting insight into another society
	Prisoner of the Mountains [Kavkazskiy Plennik]	1996	☆☆☆☆☆	Russian - in the Caucasus, an Islamic separatist captures two Russian soldiers in hopes of exchanging them for his jailed son - insightful look at the relationships that develops amongst all of the people - relationships made impossible by the horror of fighting and war - click to read a full review
	Prisoners	2013	☆☆☆☆	Violent thriller about the search for two missing girls - had some weak points but great acting all around - interesting characters
	Private Lessons [Élève Libre]	2008	☆☆☆	Belgian - disturbing movie about three adults taking advantage of a teenage boy who submits to their sexual play
	Private Number	2015	☆	Horror tale with unlikable characters
	Private Property [Nue Propriété]	2006	☆☆☆	Belgian - fascinating film with superior acting about a truly dysfunctional family that leads to a crisis - problem is that the audience is not informed of an ending - films such as this bug me - therefore only three stars
	Prize Winner of Defiance, Ohio, The	2005	☆☆☆☆	True story about a housewife who helped to support her family in the 50's and 60's by entering contests - well-done and inspiring
	Prodigal Sons	2008	☆☆☆☆	Documentary about three very unusual brothers - the oldest was adopted, received a head injury in his youth, and is now emotionally unstable, the middle is a transsexual, and the youngest is gay - the film revolves around events when the middle son - now a daughter - goes back home for the first time - fascinating - both sad and uplifting
	Producers, The	2005	☆☆☆	Film version of the hit Broadway musical - lots of silly fun
	Professional, The	1994	☆☆☆	Totally impossible stylized tale of a professional hit man who helps a twelve year old girl whose family has been murdered - somewhat intriguing
	Prom Queen: The Marc Hall Story	2004	☆☆☆☆	Entertaining made for television film about a case involving a gay teen who wants to attend his prom with his same-sex partner - not great but still pretty good with good acting and some good characters
	Prometheus	2012	☆☆	Big budget sci-fi claptrap - what a waste of money and actors

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	Promise, The	2016	★★★★	Love triangle played out during the Armenian Genocide during WWI - large is scope with well done characters
	Promised Land	1987	★★★	Fairly good movie about young adults making life decisions - a little disjointed but good acting
	Promised Land	2012	★★★★	Promoter for a big oil company finds some painful truths about the nature of his job - great acting
	Promotion, The	2008	★★	Strange, slow-moving comedy about two men vying for a much-needed promotion - just mildly entertaining
	Proof	2004	★★★	Mildly entertaining story of a brilliant woman who suffers family emotional problems - good acting
	Proof of Life	2000	★★	Basically boring, too long South American kidnap story
	Proposal, The	2009	★★	Silly romantic comedy with only a couple of good scenes - pretty much a waste of time and talent
	Proposition, The	1998	★★★	Grand soap opera that takes place amongst the wealthy of Boston in the 1930's - mildly entertaining
	Proposition, The	2005	★★★★	Australian - extremely grim and brutal story of crime in the Outback in the 1880's - exceptional acting and production all around
	Protektor	2009	★★★★	Czech - a man in the media who is married to a Jew agrees to promote the propaganda of the occupying Nazis on the radio in order to protect his wife - strange, almost surreal film catches your attention and won't let go
	Protocol	1984	★★★★	Silly but very entertaining Goldie Hawn vehicle about a honest women who gets drawn into the world of Washington, DC politics
	Public Enemies	2009	★★★★	Interesting look at the lives of John Dillinger and Melvin Purvis during Purvis's pursuit of Dillinger - slow moving but excellent acting
	Public Enemies	2012	★★★★	British mini-series about a parole officer who falls in love with the man she is supervising - good acting
	Puccini for Beginners	2006	★★★★	Witty dialog and good acting make this tale of a woman who is afraid of commitment but is dating both a man and a woman very enjoyable
	Pulling	2006	★★	British television series that ran for two seasons about three single women - funny at times but the characters were just too absurd to be solidly entertaining
	Pulling Strings	2013	★★	Mexican - silly farce about a man trying to get a visa to visit the US from an uptight state department worker
	Pumpkin	2002	★★★	In the 1960's a selfish college girl becomes involved with a special athlete and it changes her life - pleasant viewing
	Punch-Drunk Love	2002	★	Another film that the critics loved and I hated - guess I'm just not bright enough to see worth in such trash
	Puncture	2011	★	Drug-addicted attorney fights the good cause - main character is just too slimy for my liking
	Punish Me [Verfolgt] (a.k.a- Hounded)	2005	★★★★	German - sober tale of a youth counselor who enters a sadomasochistic relationship with one of her charges - dark, stark, and gripping
	Punisher, The	2004	★★★	Comic book hero brought to the big screen - not too bad
	Puppetry of the Penis	2001	★★	Film of novelty/comedy act in which guys do tricks with their penises - amazing at first but gets old pretty fast
	Purple Noon	1960	★★★	French - based upon <i>The Talented Mr. Ripley</i> - not bad

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	Pursuit of Happyness, The	2006	★★★★	Great father/son and rags to riches story based upon real life - one of those wonderful feel-good movies - super extras on the DVD - click to read a full review
	QB VII	1974	★★	Television mini-series based upon the Leon Uris novel - old and tired with surprisingly bad acting considering the actors in the film
	Quantum of Solace	2008	★★★	This version of James Bond goes too much for the action causing it to be somewhat disappointing
	Quarry, The	1998	★★★	Man on the run murders gay pastor in South Africa and steals his identity - slow moving but intriguing film
	Quartet	2012	★★★★	Great acting with veteran actors in a home for retired performers
	Queen and Country	2015	★★	British comedy/drama about two young men drafted into the army during the time of the Korean War - some good moments but still pretty dull
	Queen of the Desert	2015	★★★★★	<i>Lawrence of Arabia</i> style film about Gertrude Bell who was an influential expert on the Middle East before and after WWI - beautifully done film centering on an extraordinary woman
	Queen of Versailles, The	2012	★★★	Interesting documentary about basically low-class people with lots of money
	Queen to Play [Joueuse]	2009	★★★	French - a cleaning woman in a rut is introduced to chess and it changes her life - good acting
	Queen, The	2006	★★★★	Interesting character study of the Royal Family during the time of the death of Princess Diana - gives some insight into the minds of the royals
	Queen, The	2009	★★★★	Five part documentary with inserts of fictionalized drama about five major crises in the life of Queen Elizabeth II - interesting and educational - a weak point is that they had five different actresses play the Queen at the different times when it would have been better had they used #1 and #4 with just a little makeup
	Queens [Reinas]	2006	★★★★★	Spanish - great acting by a host of mature female stars makes this tale of several men preparing to be married in the first gay wedding in Spain and their complications with parents and each other a super enjoyable treat
	Queen's Sister, The	2005	★★★	Mildly entertaining look at the life of Princess Margaret during the late 1960's and early 70's
	Querelle	1982	★	Fassbinder - sailor involved in drugs and gay life - way too far out for me
	Quest for Fire	1982	★★★	Pre-historic man tries to find fire - very long
	Quickie, The	2001	★★★	A Russian gangster in the US is depressed and wants to get out of the business - uneven but fairly entertaining
	Quicksand	2002	★	Supposed to be a thriller on a military base - just reall horrible
	Quiet American, The	2002	★★★★	Viet Nam in 1952 - good adaptation of G. Greene novel - superior acting - good features on DVD
	Quiet Little Marriage, A	2008	★★★★	<i>A Quiet Little Marriage</i> is a quiet little movie - not totally believable but still an interesting insight into the problems of a young couple - the wife wanting a baby and the husband not
	Quiet Passion, A	2016	★★	Beautifully produced story of the life of Emily Dickinson but very slow moving

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	Quiet, The	2005	☆☆	A deaf girl goes to live with her godparents and ends up in the dysfunctional family from hell - everything in this film is improbable and overdone - basically a waste
	Quigley Down Under	1990	☆☆☆	American gunfighter goes to Australia and fights against an evil land owner - nothing special
	Quill	2004	☆☆	Japanese - sophomoric tale of a blind man who gets a seeing-eye dog - dull
	Quinceañera	2005	☆☆☆☆	Great little independent film about a fourteen year old girl who gets pregnant and is rejected by her father - she seeks shelter with two cousins - heartwarming and beautiful
	R.I.P.D.	2013	☆☆	A poorly done twist on the <i>Men in Black</i> films - basically a waste of time
	Raaz	2002	☆☆☆	Indian - combination of <i>What Lies Beneath</i> and <i>Fatal Attraction</i> - strangely entertaining
	Rabbit Hole	2010	☆☆☆☆☆	Engrossing film about the accidental death of a young boy and those involved - interesting that Nicole Kidman got a bevy of nominations for best actress, but Aaron Eckhart - whom, I think, actually did a better job got just a few - none-the-less, this is a movie that should be seen by all
	Rabbit-Proof Fence	2002	☆☆☆☆	Australian - true story of treatment of the natives in 1930's - hard to watch but super entertainment
	Race	2016	☆☆☆☆	Story of Jesse Owen's victory at the Berlin Olympics with a look at racial prejudice at the time - great production values and good acting
	Rachael and the Stranger	1948	☆☆☆	A widower buys a bound woman to care for his son - a fairly average tale made better by Loretta Young, William Holden, and Robert Mitchum
	Rachael Getting Married	2008	☆☆☆☆	Interesting look at various personalities at a wedding all revolving around a daughter who has been in and out of rehab returned home - great acting - unpleasant people
	Racing Hearts (aka: Flying Home)	2014	☆☆☆	Belgium - highly romantic drama centering around racing pigeons - charming characters
	Racing with the Moon	1984	☆☆☆	One of Sean Penn's earlier films about two boys getting ready to go off to World War II - engaging and entertaining
	Radio	2003	☆☆☆☆	Great feel good movie about a real-life person - special features are five-star
	Radius	2017	☆☆☆	Totally improbable science fiction, mystery, action flick about a man who develops an effect that kills anyone who comes close to him and the one woman who is not affected by the condition - mildly entertaining but with tons of lose ends
	Rage	2014	☆☆	Unpleasant action drama about a father seeing revenge upon the murder of his daughter
	Raggedy Man	1981	☆☆☆☆	A divorced woman in 1944 Texas is the focus of neighborhood gossip and rage - great acting by Sissy Spacek - lots of nostalgia
	Rails & Ties	2007	☆☆☆☆	Sentimental story of a boy whose mother commits suicide by stopping in front of a train and his relationship with the engineer and his dying wife - improbable but excellent acting
	Railway Man, The	2014	☆☆☆☆	Australian - true story of a soldier who was tortured by the Japanese during the building of the Death Railway during WWII and the results of that torture almost four decades later - very well done with a great special feature on the DVD

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	Rainmaker, The	1997	☆☆☆☆	Heartfelt story about a young lawyer fighting a crooked insurance corporation - good characters and action
	Raising Helen	2004	☆☆☆☆	Star power, likeable characters, and good acting make this story of a free spirit who is left her sister's children to raise very entertaining
	Raising the Bar	2008	☆☆☆☆☆	Television series about young lawyers in New York City only lasted for two seasons but was excellent viewing blending both professional and personal lives of the characters
	Raising Victor Vargas	2003	☆☆	Teenaged Latino angst - not my cup of tea
	Rake	2010	☆☆☆☆☆	Australian - television series about the life of a lawyer with too many bad habits to list who is a very good attorney and extremely personable - a great combination of wit and serious topics
	Ramen Girl, The	2008	☆☆	Preposterous tale of an American woman in Japan who is jilted by her lover and then develops a desire to learn the art of ramen soup
	Rampage	1987	☆☆☆	Crime and courtroom drama based upon a 1980's California serial killer - entertaining but nothing special
	Ran	1985	☆☆	I know this is supposed to be a classic, excellent film - guess I'm just not smart enough to appreciate it
	Random Hearts	1999	☆	Story of a woman and man whose spouses die in a plane crash - big stars wasted
	Ransom	1996	☆☆☆	Watching this movie again offered little joy - it begins fairly well and runs a pretty good pace showing a father who turns tables on his son's kidnappers but the final action is so improbable as to spoil the whole thing - just barely three stars
	Rapt	2009	☆☆☆☆	French - a businessman is abducted and many of his faults are exposed during the investigation and the time of the abduction - great acting and script, but, as in many French movies, it just ends without a conclusion - that lack of conclusion (which I like) took away the fifth star
	Rat Race	2001	☆☆☆	A group of misfits race to win two million dollars - standard fare with some humorous moments
	Ratcatcher	1998	☆☆	Glasgow slums in the 1970's - dark and depressing movie
	Rather English Marriage, A	1998	☆☆☆	English television movie about two widowers living together - watchable but nothing special
	Raven, The	2012	☆	John Cusack chewing the scenery as E.A. Poe makes what could have been a fairly good period thriller a mess
	Raven. The	1935	☆☆	Not a very good flick pairing Karloff and Lugosi except to see how superior Karloff was to Lugosi as an actor - this time Lugosi is the mad doctor and Karloff is the tortured "innocent"
	Ravenous	1999	☆☆	Men become beasts at a remote fort - watchable
	Ray	2004	☆☆☆☆☆	Extremely effective bio-pic of Ray Charles - quality production
	Reach for Me	2009	☆☆	A sour old man dying in a hospice gets a young roommate - not very good
	Read My Lips	2001	☆☆☆	French crime drama in which plain women hires an ex-con and gets involved in crime - weird but holds attention
	Reader, The	2008	☆☆☆☆☆	Superior acting - along with an engrossing storyline makes this an unforgettable movie
	Ready? OK!	2008	☆☆	Story of a boy who wants to become a cheerleader - good try but had the feel of a low-budget independent film

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	Real Cancun, The	2003	★	Beautiful, young, empty-headed people having sex in paradise - who cares!
	Real Women Have Curves	2002	★★★★	Great culture flick about a Mexican-American teenager - solid entertainment
	Rebels on Pointe	2017	★★★★	Documentary about Les Ballets Trockadero de Monte Carlo founded over forty years ago which combines an all male group combining both serious and comic ballet - very interesting
	Rebound, The	2009	★★★★★	Excellent romantic comedy about an older woman who falls in love with a younger man - believable characters and no hysterics prone to so many of the genre
	Rebus	2000	★★★★	Four season Scottish crime series - first season John Hannah played the title character as a likeable but tortured soul - Ken Stott took over the role starting in the second season playing the character as a gruff, unlikeable man whose only redeeming factors seem to be his quest for justice and a dark sense of humor - both incarnations are great characters with interesting cases
	Reception, The	2005	★★	Four basically unlikable people spend some time in the country together - fairly lame script
	Reckless	1997	★★★★	A young doctor returns to Manchester to care for his ailing father and falls in love with an older woman who just so happens to be his boss's wife - great acting - wit and serious situations make this mini-series a keeper - four episodes, the last filmed a year later
	Reckoning, The	2004	★★★★	A Middle Age morality play within a morality play - pretty standard subject matter made better by good acting and great atmosphere
	Reconstruction	2003	★	Danish - a muddled mess about a love affair - hard to understand and boring
	Recount	2008	★★★★	Excellent telling of the 2000 presidential vote recount in Florida - lots of really good acting and good solid information - click to read a full review
	Recruit, The	2003	★★★★	Cross and double-cross in the CIA - dull in the middle but fairly good start and end
	Red and the Black, The [Le Rouge et le noir]	1997	★★★★★	French - grand melodrama of passion and honor in latter 19th Century France - filled with interesting characters
	Red Baron, The	2008	★★★★	Highly romanticized version of the famous flyer's war career but still a excellently done production
	Red Dawn	2012	★★★	Teenagers against invading North Koreans - just barely three stars
	Red Dirt	1999	★	Young man trying to decide if he's gay - boring
	Red Dog	2012	★★★★	Australian - story of a real dog who roamed in northwest Australia in the 1970's - highly romanticized but very entertaining
	Red Dog: True Blue	2016	★★	Australian - lame prequel to the red dog film which was based upon fact about a stray dog in an outback community - poorly told coming of age story
	Red Dragon	2002	★★★★	Prequel to <i>The Silence of the Lambs</i> - violent but well-done
	Red Dust	2004	★★★★	Drama revolving around the South African policy to dismiss charges against those who committed torture if they fully confess to their crimes - great acting
	Red Eye	2005	★★★★	Surprisingly good thriller about a woman trapped on a plane with a terrorist who wants to use her position to murder a government official - good acting and production

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	Red Hill	2010	☆☆☆	Australian - modern day wild west tale taking place in the outback - lots of violence and a shaky plot but mildly entertaining
	Red Lights [Feux Rouges]	2004	☆☆☆	French - a fairly entertaining film about a couple starting with an argument that leads to a series of horrific events - one of those French films in which the motives and actions of the characters seem unbelievable
	Red Line	2013	☆☆	A subway car crashed with passengers trapped - one of them the bomber - fairly lame
	Red Machine, The	2009	☆☆	A naval officer teams with a thief to steal a Japanese code machine in pre-WWII Washington, DC - seemed more like a home video with absurd actions and stilted acting
	Red Mercury	2005	☆☆☆	Fairly standard police tale about a group of would-be terrorists who take over a restaurant - entertaining but nothing special
	Red Riding: In the Year of Our Lord 1974	2009	☆☆☆☆	First of a trilogy of stories centering around police corruption in northern England - two serial crimes are woven through the narrative - this one deals with a reporter's efforts to get to the root of one of the crimes with tragic results - bleak and grim - good acting
	Red Riding: In the Year of Our Lord 1980	2009	☆☆☆☆	Second in the trilogy involves a policeman's efforts to solve a series of murders while examining the conduct of other officers - continues the bleak format - still very good acting
	Red Riding: In the Year of Our Lord 1983	2009	☆☆☆	The last of the trilogy is not as good as the first two - filled with flashbacks - the crimes are eventually solved - I guess - but the corruption continues
	Red Tails	2012	☆☆☆	Lackluster tale of the Tuskegee Airmen during WWII - not bad but nothing really special
	Red Violin, The	1999	☆☆☆☆☆	Fascinating story centering around a famous violin
	Red Wing	2013	☆☆☆☆☆	A movie designed to appeal to the emotions surly does its job - a beautiful of love and family emotions with endearing characters
	Redemption	2013	☆☆☆☆☆	A soldier hits rock bottom but tries to redeem himself - a somewhat meatier role for Jason Statham
	Redwood Highway	2013	☆☆☆	Shirley Knight is very good as a retirement home resident who decides to walk eighty miles to her granddaughter's wedding - interesting characters
	Redwoods	2009	☆☆	Bad acting in this film about a gay man in a stifled relationship who has an affair with another man - boring
	Reefer Madness	1936	☆☆☆	This is a great little cult film about society's view of marijuana in the 30's
	Reel Injun	2009	☆☆☆	Documentary about the image of Native Americans on the silver screen - some good insights
	Reflections	2008	☆☆☆	Spanish - English language Spanish movie about an inspector tracking a serial killer - entertaining but nothing special
	Reflections in a Golden Eye	1967	☆☆☆☆	Elizabeth Taylor, Marlon Brando, and suppressed sexual desire on a southern military base - who could ask for anything better in which to wallow
	Refuge, The	2003	☆☆☆	Accounting of actual events in which two Kurdish refugees took refuge in an English church in order not to be sent to jail because of a bureaucratic error - good acting - thought provoking

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	Regarding Henry	1991	★★★★★	I know that most "in the know" consider this a bad Harrison Ford movie, but I love this tale of an ambitious, evil lawyer whose life is changed by a bullet in the head
	Regeneration (a.k.a. Behind the Lines)	1997	★★★★	Historical fiction about WWI soldiers at a hospital for shell-shocked patients in Scotland - two of whom became famous poets - excellent acting and storytelling - click to read full review
	Regular Guys	1996	★★★	German - a cop moves in with a gay guy and re-examines his life - good comedy drama
	Reign Over Me	2007	★★★	This movie about a man who meets his old college roommate who has suffered a great loss and has disassociated himself from the world would have been much better if it weren't for Adam Sandler's off-putting silliness and baby talk playing the man suffering the stress of a loss
	Reindeer Games	2000	★	A man and woman on the run from crooks - big stars but bad movie
	Relative Strangers	2006	★★★	Silly farce about a man raised by uptight, rich parents finding out he is adopted and connecting with his redneck birth parents - Kathy Bates and Danny DeVito as the redneck parents make the whole thing worth watching
	Relative Values	2000	★★★	In the 1950's an English lord wants to marry a Hollywood star - based upon a play - entertaining but nothing special
	Relax... It's Just Sex	1998	★★	Silly gay-themed stories about romantic entanglements - poor acting and direction
	Religulous	2008	★★★★★	More of a commentary rather than a documentary by Bill Maher about the destructive forces of organized religions - a film after my own heart
	Remains of the Day, The	1993	★★★★★	Beautifully done character study of a reserved British butler and the head housekeeper at a pre-WWII estate - supreme acting
	Remember	2016	★★★★★	Mystery drama in which a former camp survivor goes to murder a Nazi who has been living in disguise in the U.S. for seventy years - good acting
	Remember Me	2010	★★★★★	Robert Pattinson does a very good job as a disenchanted young man who finds love - even though I should have figured it out, the ending was a surprise and very effective
	Remember the Titans	2000	★★★★★	Great true story about integrating a Virginia football team - very good special features
	Remembrance [Die Verlorene Zeit]	2011	★★★★	German - a love affair that started in a WWII Polish prison camp comes to a tragic end but new facts are discovered thirty years later - sad but beautiful movie
	Rememory	2017	★★★	A man steals a machine that records memories in order to find out about his past and who murdered the inventor of the machine - mildly entertaining
	Rendez-vous	1987	★	French - this is another one of those French films that seems so disjointed that it is barely watchable - understanding the actions of the main character is beyond my comprehension
	Rendition	2007	★★★★	Tense story based upon the cases of extraordinary rendition in which the officials of the United States tromp upon the rights of foreign-born citizens - excellent extras on the DVD
	Renoir	2012	★★★★	French - beautifully done film that covers a year or so during the end of the artist's life - the scenery is a work of art as is the acting

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	Replacements, The	2000	★★★★★	Super feel good losers have their day sports movie
	Reprise	2006	★★★	Norwegian - strange film about two young men and their angst - somewhat fascinating
	Rescue Dawn	2006	★★	Story of the only man to escape from a Laotian prisoner of war camp during the Viet Nam era - slow moving, talky - disappointing
	Reservation Road	2007	★★★★	Story of a father seeking the hit and run driver who killed his son - far better than expected because of the excellent acting - click to read a full review
	Resident, The	2010	★★	A woman with a menacing landlord - tedious most of the time
	Resistance	2003	★★★	Fairly lackluster story of an American flyer being hidden in occupied Belgium during WWII - mildly entertaining
	Respiro	2002	★★★	Italian - dysfunctional family on an island off Sicily - strange view at a totally different culture
	Restless	2012	★★★★	Mini-series about a woman who finds out that her mother was a spy during WWII - good acting and interesting plot
	Resurrecting the Champ	2007	★★★★	Story of a young writer who finds a former boxing champ living on the street and writes his story - great father / son story - very good acting all around
	Resurrection of Gavin Stone, The	2016	★	Inspid religious tale of a bad boy finding faith and love - a real brain drain
	Retribution [El Desconocido]	2015	★★★★	Spanish - thriller about a husband who is trapped by a bomb in his car with his two children by a man wishing to extort money - lots of good action
	Retribution [original title: One of Us]	2016	★★★★	Limited series about the effects of a murder upon two families whose children are married - good acting - lots of red herrings
	Return	2011	★★	Depressing tale of a female soldier who returns from deployment and cannot readjust to civilian life - no real insight or resolution - just depressing lives in which nothing is learned
	Return of Martin Guerre, The [Le retour de Martin Guerre]	1982	★★★★	Great atmospheric movie about the mysterious return of a man to a 16th Century French village
	Return of the Secaucus 7, The	1980	★★★★	Pretty bad acting but still a good story about a group getting ready to grow up and turn thirty
	Return to Lonesome Dove	1993	★★	Sequel that does not live up to the original
	Return to Me	2000	★★★	Nice light romance starring Minnie Driver - a feel good movie
	Return to Snowy River	1988	★★★★	Sequel to <i>The Man from Snowy River</i> doesn't have the benefit of Kirk Douglas but is still a great feel good flick with lots of beautiful scenery and extraordinary horsemanship
	Returned, The [Les Revenants]	2013	★★★	French - television series about a group of dead people returning to a small town - entertaining but far too many loose ends and incomplete plot lines
	Reuniting the Rubins	2010	★★★	Family drama in which the estranged children are brought together due to the illness of the grandmother - fairly standard but entertaining
	Revanche	2008	★★★★	Austrian - the lives of a prostitute, a thief, a cop, and his wife intersect in fascinating fashion - strange tale but excellent characters and acting
	Reversible Errors	2004	★★★★	TV movie about a lawyer who is assigned to review the case of a man wrongly convicted of murder - good characters - a little long but still entertaining
	Revolutionary Road	2008	★★★★★	Brilliantly acted film about a couple in crisis in the 1950's - great statement upon society at that time

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	Revolver	2005	☆☆	A total mess of a film about a gangster seeking revenge - filled with superficial mind tricks - pretty bad
	Rewrite, The	2015	☆☆☆☆☆	Entertaining film about a jaded screen writer who, in desperation, goes to teach a class at a small Eastern university - pleasing characters with just the right touch of humor
	Rhapsody	1954	☆☆☆	Entertaining Elizabeth Taylor vehicle in which she plays a spoiled rich girl romancing two musicians - an interesting look at the 50's view of the role of women - Taylor is is vision of beauty, and the music is grand
	Rhinoceros Eyes	2005	☆	Weird, lackluster tale of a young man who works in a movie prop warehouse - dull
	Rich and Famous	1981	☆☆☆	Story of the lives of two women - college roommates who lead different lives - a bit tedious
	Ricki and the Flash	2015	☆☆☆☆	A woman who left her family to become a rock star returns after years to resentment and trauma - fairly standard plot made very entertaining by great music and acting
	Ricky	2009	☆☆☆	French - strange tale about two working class people who give birth to a child who sprouts wings - I kept looking for some sort of message, but none was ever delivered with the film ending without resolution (not uncommon in French films) - just barely three stars
	Ride with the Devil	1999	☆☆☆☆☆	Story of young men caught up in the violence of the Civil War in Kansas - long, epic love story
	Rider, The	2017	☆☆☆☆☆	Based upon fact and featuring many of the actual people - a look at a young rodeo rider and his life after a career changing accident - engrossing look at a slice of cowboy culture
	Ridicule	1996	☆☆☆☆☆	French - story of a nobleman who wants to appeal to Louis XIV to finance an engineering project - super
	Riding Alone for a Thousand Miles	2005	☆☆☆☆	Chinese - convoluted tale of a man wishing to reconcile with his dying son who travels from Japan to China in hopes of filming a folk opera loved by his son - wonderful acting, scenery, and production - a little hokey in the ending but still excellent
	Riding in Cars with Boys	2001	☆☆☆☆	Drew Barrymore as a girl who has made mistakes but is working out life - great characters - good movie
	Right Kind of Wrong, The	2013	☆☆☆☆	Romantic comedy about a dreamer whose ex-wife makes a fortune mocking him in first a blog and then a book - turned out to be far better than I expected
	Righteous Kill	2008	☆☆☆☆☆	Great acting in this mystery about a vigilante cop killing off the bad guys
	Ring of Fire	2012	☆☆	Lame disaster flick about oil well drilling causing a chain reaction amongst the ring of fire - cliché characters and a rubber stamp plot
	Ring Two, The	2005	☆	Here's further proof that most sequels are bad - <i>The Ring</i> was a frightening and tight film - <i>The Ring Two</i> is overdone and boring
	Ring, The	2002	☆☆☆☆	Surprisingly good horror flick
	Riot Club, The	2015	☆☆	Oxford students get into trouble revolving around an exclusive club - not much to this one
	Ripley's Game	2003	☆☆☆	John Malkovich this time as Tom Ripley - very sinister - tricks an innocent man into committing murder - good acting and action
	Ripper Street	2013	☆☆☆	New Turn of the 20th Century cop shop has some good plots but is a little talky

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	Rise & Shine: The Jay DeMerit Story	2011	☆☆☆	Entertaining documentary about an energetic football (soccer) player
	Rise of Taj, The	2006	☆☆☆	Silly nerds overcome the snobs teenage flick made more enjoyable by the likeability of the main character - fun
	Rise of the Planet of the Apes	2011	☆☆☆☆	Well done film about how the apes on Earth gained intelligence - very good acting and effects make for an entertaining guilty pleasure flick
	Risen	2016	☆☆	A Roman tribune tries to find out what happened to the body of Jesus - good acting with lots of British stars
	Risk is Yours, The [Rób swoje, ryzyko jest twoje]	2002	☆	Polish - this is supposed to be a prison comedy but it's boring and certainly not funny
	Rites Of Passage	1999	☆☆	Gay- themed movie about a man and his two sons who are stalked by a killer in their mountain cabin - pretty weak
	Ritz, The	1976	☆☆	Silly tale about a guy hiding from mobsters in a New York City gay bath - not a very good transfer from play to screen - acting and actions way to over the top
	River	2015	☆☆☆☆	Crime mini-series in which the lead detective seems to be able to see and talk to dead people - good acting although ending is a little over-the-top
	River King, The	2005	☆☆☆	Entertaining mystery made more enjoyable by Edward Burns and splendid, atmospheric photography
	River Made to Drown In	1997	☆☆☆	Old queer dying of AIDS looks up two hustlers with whom he fell in love - interesting, dark story - good acting
	River Murders, The	2011	☆☆☆	Crime thriller in which someone is murdering past loves of a cop - mildly interesting but with lots of holes in the plot
	River of Grass	1994	☆	Teenagers on a crime spree - really bad
	River Queen	2005	☆☆☆	New Zealand - drama that takes place during the wars between British and Maori - entertaining but a bit overdone
	River Why, The	2010	☆☆☆	A young man from a dysfunctional family seeks solace in the simple life of a fisherman and learns about life - a little slow but still entertaining
	River, The	1984	☆☆☆☆	Just watched this film again after many years - still a powerful look at the plight of the family farmer and two remarkable parents
	Rivers Wash Over Me	2009	☆	A gay Black youth moves to the South and has problems - boring
	Riverworld	2003	☆☆	Silly Sci-Fi Channel fare made for computer geeks and adolescent boys
	RKO 281	1999	☆☆☆	Story of the making of <i>Citizen Kane</i> , and William Randolph Hearst's efforts to block its release - interesting
	Road House 2: Last Call	2006	☆	A complete waste of time for anyone who is not a post-pubescent adolescent male - lots of silly fights and women far too sexy and beautiful for the real world
	Road to Perdition	2002	☆☆☆☆	Super movie with great plot, acting, and visual style
	Road to your Heart [Pad na jou Hart]	2014	☆☆☆	South African - romantic tale about a young man who discovers the real meaning of life on a road trip to his father's funeral - a little hokey but still watchable

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	Road Within, The	2015	☆☆☆	Remake of the German film <i>Vincent will Meer</i> about a young man with Tourette's syndrome who goes on a road trip with two other young people - all confined to an institution - likeable characters and good acting
	Rob Roy	1995	☆☆☆☆☆	This highly romantic movie about a 16th Century Scottish hero is great entertainment
	Rob the Mob	2014	☆☆☆	Engaging crime comedy/drama based upon real events about a couple who robbed mob social clubs
	Roba	2012	☆☆☆☆	Finnish - three season crime series about the cops in the Roba Precinct in Helsinki - interesting crimes and characters with touches of high drama and humor
	Robber, The	2010	☆☆☆☆	Austrian - strange tale based upon the crimes of Johann Kastenberger who was a bank robber and murderer but also a champion marathon runner - in the film, his motives are not well defined and his crimes are soft-peddled - the acting, however, is superior
	Robin Hood	2010	☆☆☆☆	Extremely entertaining back-story as to the beginning of the Robin Hood legend - great action and interesting characters
	Robin Hood: Prince of Thieves	1991	☆☆☆☆	A very watchable telling of the legend
	Robinson Crusoe	1996	☆☆☆	Entertaining version of the story
	RoboCop	2014	☆☆☆☆	Well done remake of the 1987 film - good acting - not spoiled by over-the-top special effects
	Robot & Frank	2012	☆☆☆☆	In the near future, a father suffering from senility is given a robot by his son to enrich his life - charming, but sad, tale
	Robots	2005	☆☆☆	This animated film is somewhat less sophisticated than the norm - really almost totally designed for kids - lots of fun special features on the DVD
	Rock Star	2001	☆☆☆	Boy gets to join his dream band and is disillusioned - watchable - good music
	Rock the Kasbah	2015	☆☆	Lackluster comedy about a down-and-out theatrical agent who gets trapped in Afghanistan and discovers a local star - too many over-the-top characters
	Rock, The	1996	☆☆☆☆	Great action yarn about a disgruntled general who takes over Alcatraz Island and threatens San Francisco - Sean Connery and Nicolas Cage give it some great action and bits of humor
	Rocket Science	2007	☆☆☆	Coming of age of a teenage, nerdy boy who stutters - some good moments but not totally satisfying
	Rocket, The (aka: Maurice Richard)	2005	☆☆☆☆	Biopic of famous hockey player who was a great inspiration to French-Canadians during the 1950's - great acting
	RocknRolla	2008	☆☆☆☆	Great dark gangster comedy about shady dealings in the London real estate market - good fun
	Roger Dodger	2002	☆	Modern male ego - critics loved it - I hated it
	Role Models	2008	☆☆☆	Mildly entertaining foul language comedy with lots of good jokes and situations - almost undone by a sappy ending
	Rollover	1981	☆☆☆	Star vehicle in which Jane Fonda plays a widow involved in high finance and murder - entertaining but unsatisfactory ending
	Roman J. Israel, Esq.	2017	☆☆☆☆	Character study of a man for whom circumstances cause him to give up some long-standing principles - interesting plot - good acting

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	Roman Spring of Mrs. Stone, The	2003	***	The latest version of the Tennessee Williams novel comes to the screen as an interesting 50's period piece - dark, sexy, and enjoyable
	Romance	1999	**	French - another one of those very weird sex films that only the French can imagine - this time a woman goes on the prowl because her husband won't satisfy her in bed
	Romantics Anonymous [Les Émotifs Anonymes]	2010	***	French - bizarre little movie about two neurotic and very shy people falling in love - mildly entertaining
	Rommel	2012	****	German - recounting the last seven months in the life of Field Marshal Rommel and how his career was killed by those around him plotting the assassination of Adolph Hitler - well done
	Romulus, My Father	2007	****	Australian - based upon fact, this is an engrossing story of a man who goes beyond the norm to give his son a good life - click to read a full review
	Rookie, The	1990	***	Formula Clint Eastwood cop flick is lots of fun with great car chases and a sexy villain
	Rookie, The	2002	***	Man tries out for long-desired baseball position - true story but not very well told
	Room	2015	***	Look at a girls held in captivity and her son when they are finally able to be free - depressing and uplifting at the same time
	Room With A View, A	1986	*****	Excellent film version of the novel
	Rory O'Shea Was Here	2004	*****	Irish - two physically handicapped men - one shy, the other a rebel - make an independent life for themselves outside the care facility - great film with tons of heart - you may need to turn on the subtitles in order to appreciate all of the wonderful dialog
	Roseland	1977	*	A trilogy of stories about people at the Roseland Ballroom - all dated and pretty much boring
	Rosemary & Thyme: Season 1	2006	***	<i>Murder, She Wrote</i> in British gardens - two latter middle-aged ladies find murder whenever they are contracted to work in a garden - mildly entertaining
	Rotation	1949	****	German - one of the first films made in Germany after WWII - story of an ordinary man who joins the Nazi Party only in order to keep his job and the relationship with his son who is a Nazi Youth - dated but still worthwhile
	Route 30	2008	**	Stories of kooky characters in rural Pennsylvania - not too entertaining
	Rowing Through	1996	*	Rowing hopefuls stimed by President Carter's boycott of the Olympics - tedious, unlikable characters
	Royal Affair, A [En Kongelig Affære]	2012	****	Danish - biographical drama about the life of King Christopher VII of Denmark, his unhappy wife, and a doctor who had influence over the king who also had an affair with the queen - very well done
	Royal Night Out, A	2015	***	Princesses Elizabeth and Margaret escape the ties of the palace to spend the evening of V.E. Day amongst the general public - silly but mildly entertaining
	Royal Tenenbaums, The	2001	*	Another critics choice that I found sorely missing of any aspect of entertainment
	Ruby Sparks	2012	**	A young novelist with writer's block invents a female character who comes to life - too much young man angst for my tastes
	Rudderless	2014	****	A father coming to terms with a terrible crime his son committed through his son's music - good acting and good music

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	Ruffian	2007	★★★★	True story of a champion race horse - slow moving but very interesting - inspiring tale of triumph and tragedy
	Rules of Attraction, The	2002	★	Sex at a New England liberal arts college - boring
	Rules Of Engagement	2000	★★★★	Very good court marshal movie
	Rumba	2008	★★	Comedy of the absurd about a couple that enters dance competitions - the have an automobile accident - he loses his memory and she loses part of a leg - strange film
	Rumor Has It...	2005	★★★★	Comedy / love story based upon the characters in <i>The Graduate</i> with a generational twist - silly but fun
	Rumor of Angels, A	2002	★★★	Good acting and character development in this story of dealing with death
	Run & Jump	2013	★★★★	Irish - intriguing story of the family of a reasonably young man who comes home after a stroke radically changes his personality - characters with real depth
	Run All Night	2015	★★★	Action packed story about a former hit man trying to save his son - good acting and interesting characters
	Run Lola Run	1998	★★★★	French - same story with different endings - great movie
	Run Silent, Run Deep	1958	★★★★	Great WWII yarn about the relationships on a sub chasing a Japanese ship
	Run the Tide	2016	★★	A young man tries to protect his ten year old brother from an abusive mother about to be released from prison - second rate entertainment
	Run the Wild Fields	2000	★★★	WWII wife with missing husband and handsome handyman - entertaining
	Run, Fat Boy, Run	2007	★★★★	Ne'er-do-well who deserted his pregnant girlfriend at their wedding tries to get back in her graces - very nice little romantic comedy
	Runaway	2006	★★★	One season series about a man falsely accused of murder on the run with his family - just barely make three stars due to cardboard characters and too much teenage angst
	Runaway Jury	2003	★★★★★	Exciting, well-acted tale of greed amongst lawyers - good "guilty pleasure" fun
	Running Deep	2007	★★	Lame family tale about a father, two sons, and all their problems - plot just doesn't hold together - plus bad acting from the lead
	Running on Karma	2003	★	Chinese - I don't see how anyone other than a pre-adolescent boy could possibly enjoy this movie about a muscleman monk trying to help a young woman cop solve a crime - he didn't even have real muscles - he wore a rubber muscle suit
	Running with Scissors	2006	★★★	This tale of the horrific youth of the writer just doesn't seem to have a spark even though it is filled with good acting moments - the special features on the DVD gave it the third star
	Runway, The	2010	★★★	Entertaining bit of fluff about a South American whose plane crashes in Ireland who is helped by the locals - filled with fine quirky characters
	Rush	2013	★★★★	Excellent story of two famous 1970's Formula 1 race drivers
	Russian Ark	2002	★★	Russian - interesting film shot in one take that is actually a tour of the Hermitage - slow and enigmatic
	Russian Bride	2006	★	Poorly produced and acted story of a young woman who comes from Russia to marry a New York City man and is greatly disappointed - more like a home video than a movie

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	Russian Bride, The	2001	☆☆☆☆	Story of a Russian woman who moves to England and enters into a loveless marriage leading to an affair and murder - interesting tale
	Russian Dolls	2005	☆☆☆☆	French - sequel to <i>L'Auberge Espagnole</i> tells of a young man trying to figure out the meaning of love - great acting and production
	Russians Are Coming, The Russians Are Coming, The	1966	☆☆☆☆☆	Great Cold War comedy with lots of comedians and quirky situations
	Rust and Bone [De Rouille et D'os]	2012	☆☆☆☆	French - grim, but inspiring, tale of a man and woman overcoming odds in their lives and relationship - good acting
	RV	2006	☆☆☆☆	Over-the-top humor but some funny scenes in this travel comedy - the performance for the ending credits is probably the best part of the film
	S is for Sexy	2008	☆☆☆☆☆	International collection of gay-themed short films - all good - some very good
	S.W.A.T.	2003	☆☆☆☆	Watchable modern version of the 70's television series
	S.W.A.T.: Fire Fight	2011	☆☆☆☆	Fairly standard action fare with the reward of not being very bloody - good mindless entertainment
	Sabah [aka Sabah: A Love Story]	2005	☆☆☆☆	Canadian culture clash in which a Muslim woman falls for a man not of her religion - disapproval of her family - especially her conservative brother - good hearted, entertaining film
	Sacred Silence	1996	☆☆☆☆	Italian - interesting story about a priest pedophile who is the "good guy"
	Safe	2012	☆☆☆☆	Another good action thriller starring Jason Statham - this time he is trying to save an Asian girl from the bad guys - a little too much killing in this one for my pleasure
	Safe	2018	☆☆☆☆☆	Limited series mystery thriller about a widower searching for his missing daughter after her boyfriend is murdered at a party - lots and lots of red herrings along with some over-the-top characters but still highly entertaining
	Safe Conduct [Laissez-passer]	2002	☆☆☆☆☆	French - true story of filmmakers working in the resistance in Paris during WWII - a little disjointed but intriguing
	Safe Haven	2013	☆☆☆☆	Fairly standard Nicholas Sparks tale with a bit of otherworldliness thrown in - mildly entertaining
	Safe House	2012	☆☆☆☆	Nothing special here - plot wise - a young, naive CIA agent discovers that he is surrounded by corruption to the highest levels - some good action and acting
	Safe House	2015	☆☆☆☆	A four part series about an ex-cop and his wife agree to turn their bed and breakfast into a safe house for a family being harassed by a former drug dealer - lots of silly "mysterious" camera shots and too many red herrings - plus a somewhat unsatisfying ending gave it three stars rather than four
	Safe House: The Crow	2017	☆☆☆☆	Second series of a set about a former police detective and his wife who run a bed and breakfast that becomes a safe house - this time the detective is obsessed with a previous case that caused his dismissal from the force - as with the first, production methods are somewhat cliché
	Safe Passage	1994	☆☆☆☆☆	Beautifully acted story of a family with a strong, quirky, independent mother suffering a crisis
	Safety Not Guaranteed	2012	☆☆	Romantic comedy with fairly likeable characters but it did little for me - guess I'm too old

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	Safety of Objects, The	2001	☆☆☆	Separate stories of how peoples lives are affected by one tragic event - good start but gets weak
	Sahara	2005	☆	I watched an hour and a half of this mess and then gave up - what a waste of money and talent
	Sailor Who Fell From Grace With the Sea, The	1976	☆☆☆☆	From the Mishima novel about a sailor who comes into the life of a disturbed adolescent boy and his widowed mother
	Saint Ralph	2004	☆☆☆☆	Well done feel good movie about a fourteen year old boy who hopes to create a miracle by winning the 1954 Boston Marathon and save his mother from a coma - witty and heartfelt
	Saints and Soldiers	2004	☆☆☆☆☆	Five soldiers trapped behind enemy lines in WWII Europe must get valuable information to the Allied troops - beautifully acted and photographed film
	Salamander	2012	☆☆☆☆	Belgian - series about a police officer hunting for criminals at the highest levels of government - good tale - exciting and entertaining
	Salem's Lot	2004	☆☆☆	Made for cable - not as good as the 1979 version but still entertaining
	Salesman, The [Forushande]	2016	☆☆	Iranian - slow moving story of a husband trying to seek justice for his wife who was attacked in their home against the protestations of his wife
	Salmon Fishing in the Yemen	2011	☆☆☆☆	A sheik who loves fishing strives to begin salmon fishing in his parched country with the help of a British expert - well done character study with good acting
	Salt	2010	☆☆☆	Angelina Jolie as a kick-ass CIA agent who may or may not be a Russian spy - entertaining
	Salt of Life, The [Gianni e le Donne]	2011	☆☆☆	Italian - disappointing dark comedy about a man forced to retire early and his depressing life
	Salton Sea, The	2002	☆	Supposed to be a new age film noir but is only muddled and boring
	Salute	2008	☆☆☆	Documentary about the three runners at the 1968 Olympics, two of whom raised clenched fists in protest of racial discrimination - a little slow moving but insightful
	Samba	2015	☆☆☆☆	French - the problems of an illegal African immigrant in France and his quest for citizenship and love - entertaining
	Same Kind of Different As Me	2017	☆☆☆☆	True story of a Dallas art dealer who, through the urgings of his wife, befriended a homeless man of unique quality - a little soapy but still an inspiring and well-produced viewing
	San Andreas	2015	☆☆☆	Formulaic disaster flick with all the known clichés - a dedicated scientist who sacrifices his life for a child - a well-know scientist whose theories are finally proven - a journalist who assists in informing the public - a brave hero being divorced by his wife whose rich boyfriend turns out to be a coward - the resourceful teenage daughter who is assisted by a young, handsome man and his devoted younger brother - and finally the elderly couple who die in a last embrace - add the digital destruction of Los Angeles and San Francisco and you have a fine guilty pleasure action flick
	Santa Clarita Diet	2017	☆☆☆	Netflix series about an everyday housewife who becomes a zombie - pretty good dark comedy with entertaining characters
	Sapphires, The	2012	☆☆☆	Australian - story of an aborigine singing group that went to Viet Nam to entertain the troops - good music

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	Sarah's Key [Elle s'Appelait Sarah]	2010	*****	French - a reporter traces events that occurred during the German occupation of France in which many Jews were deported and murdered - intriguing script and excellent acting
	Sasha	2010	**	German - young man has to hide his sexuality from conservative parents - not very good
	Saturday Night and Sunday Morning	1961	**	English working-class guy drinks and screws away every weekend - dark and boring
	Saturday Night Fever	1977	*****	It goes without saying that the super dancing and the hypnotic disco beat of the music makes the movie, but the thing that gives it five stars is the unvarnished look at working class males of the time and their treatment of females
	Saturn in Opposition [Saturno Contro]	2007	****	Italian - interesting drama about a group of friends who lose one of their own - great characters - good acting
	Sausage Party	2016	**	Animation for adults - some funny events but mostly a gross language fest that would very much appeal to the adolescent male
	Savage Grace	2007	****	Intriguing look at a real life crime - Tony Baekeland murders his mother after years of abuse and poor mental health - tragic tale of a boy neglected by his self-centered parents
	Savages, The	2007	****	Two emotionally scarred adult children must care for their father from whom they have been estranged for years - excellent acting in this sober piece with touches of humor
	Save Me	2007	***	A gay man addicted to drugs enters a center that is supposed to turn him straight - fairly entertaining
	Save the Last Dance	2001	***	White girl and black boy from two different worlds come together to dance - entertaining
	Saved!	2004	****	Fairly watchable teen-learns-about-life flick - this time the teens are devout Christians
	Saving Face	2005	****	Well done clash of cultures film about a gay Chinese-American doctor, her out-of-wedlock pregnant mother, and their interaction with the community
	Saving Grace	2000	****	Great English film in which a woman grows and sells pot to save her home
	Saving Mr. Banks	2013	****	Story of the writer of <i>Mary Poppins</i> - her childhood and her conflict with Walt Disney in the making of the movie - entertaining
	Saving Private Ryan	1998	*****	Steven Spielberg's and Tom Hank's homage to "The Greatest Generation" - the soldier of WWII is a "must see" realistic, yet beautiful, film
	Saving Sarah Cain	2007	**	Cloying and maudlin story of a writer who assumes responsibility of five Amish nieces and nephews - really bad
	Saving Silverman	2001	**	Saving a guy from marrying a shrew - just barely watchable
	Scapegoat, The	2012	*****	Highly entertaining British film about a man who replaces his evil lookalike - great characters
	Scaramouche	1952	*****	Great old swashbuckler still as entertaining as when I first saw it fifty years ago
	Scarlet & Black	1993	****	British mini-series about a commoner in 1830's France who has successes with the upper class but is eventually done in by infidelity and the pressures of religious dogma - interesting, but depressing, tale
	Scarlet and the Black, The	1983	****	Gregory Peck shines in the made for television mini-series about a real life Irish priest who lead a group that saved many escaped Allied prisoners in Nazi occupied Rome
	Scary Movie	2000	***	Silly sex farce - entertaining though
	Scary Movie 2	2001	***	More over-the-top sexual fun - a trashy treat

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	Scary Movie 3	2003	☆☆☆	Great fun - unusual for the third in a series to be better than the first two, but this one is consistently entertaining
	Scary Movie 4	2006	☆☆	A couple of funny moments in this latest of the series of movie parodies but the whole thing is basically unsatisfying
	Scary Movie 5	2013	☆☆	Some good laughs in this one but it's not nearly as witty as previous films
	Scatter My Ashes at Bergdorf's	2013	☆☆	Interesting documentary about the store but focuses too much on the designers and not the store
	Schindler's List	1993	☆☆☆☆☆	This is a must-see film about a man who saved several thousand people from the Holocaust - great extra features on the DVD
	School for Scoundrels	2006	☆☆	Silly - basically boring - tale of a man without confidence trying to win the heart of a woman
	School of Life	2005	☆	Sugary sweet "great, young, innovative teacher" story with unrealistic situations and characters - a waste of time
	School of Rock, The	2003	☆☆☆	Jack Black is way over the top, but the other characters make the movie entertaining
	Schoolboy Crush	2007	☆☆	Japanese - strange story of adolescent love and heartache but an interesting look at another society
	Scoop	2006	☆☆☆	Mildly entertaining comedy crime caper - would have been much better without the over-the-top performance of Scarlett Johansson
	Score, The	2001	☆☆☆☆	Heist action with star power - holds your attention
	Sculptress, The	1997	☆☆☆☆	Two part British mystery series about an author who is writing a book about a woman who supposedly committed a horrible murder - the writer comes to think that she is innocent - great acting
	Sea Inside, The [Mar adentro]	2004	☆☆☆☆☆	Spanish - engrossing true story about a quadriplegic's fight to commit suicide - excellent performances by all with an excellent feature about the making of the film on the DVD
	Sea of Love	1989	☆☆☆	Pretty standard cop drama about the search for a lonely hearts killer - good actors give it an extra edge
	Sea, The	2002	☆☆☆	Islandic - family problems come to a head when aging father calls children back home - interesting
	Seabiscuit	2003	☆☆☆☆☆	Great feel good movie about the historic race horse
	Seagull's Laughter, The [Mavahlatur]	2001	☆☆☆	Icelandic - story of a woman who returns to her small home town and shakes things up - interesting characters in this dark comedy
	Search for John Gissing, The	2001	☆☆	Satirical look at the corporate world - an older executive tries to prevent a younger man from replacing him - some funny moments but fairly lame
	Seaside [Bord de Mer]	2003	☆☆☆	French - a look at people living in a seaside town that has fallen upon hard times - interesting characters
	Second Best Exotic Marigold Hotel, The	2015	☆☆☆	This sequel is a little tired but entertaining as the quest of the young Indian to be successful continues
	Second Coming, The	1995	☆	Arty film about gays in a repressive society - boring
	Second Sight: Series 1	1999	☆☆☆☆	British mini-series about a crack police detective who finds he is going blind - good mystery but the ending is a little far-fetched (took away the fifth star) - click to read a full review

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	Second Sight: Series 2	2001	*****	The last of this British mini-series about a police detective who is losing his sight is a superior treat of acting and mystery - click to read a full review
	Second Skin [Segunda Piel]	2000	****	Spanish - a husband has an affair with another man - good story and characters
	Second String	2002	***	Good made for cable movie about a out-of-work professional football player who saves the day
	Secondhand Lions	2003	****	Great feel-good movie about a teenager who goes to live with two eccentric uncles
	Secret in Their Eyes	2015	***	Mystery about a policeman whose partner's daughter was murdered some thirteen years earlier - good acting
	Secret in Their Eyes, The [El Secreto de Sus Ojos]	2010	****	Argentinean - an investigator finds the solution to a twenty-five year old murder mystery - great acting and characters
	Secret Life of Bees, The	2008	****	Fairly predictable chick flick but gets a extra star for the excellent acting
	Secret Life of Words, The	2005	*****	Enthralling film about a nurse who goes to an offshore oil rig to care for an injured man - secrets are revealed changing the lives of people involved
	Secret Lives of Dentists, The	2003	*	Man suspects his wife of having an affair and lets his imagination run away - really lame
	Secret Scripture, The	2016	***	An Irish girl falls in love with a downed WWII British pilot much to the chagrin of the local priest and the IRA - her life is revealed after she has spent fifty years locked up in a mental hospital - some unbelievable twists but still good entertainment
	Secret Window	2004	****	Psychological thriller about an author being threatened by a man who claims the author stole his story - great acting - excellent special features on the DVD
	Secret, A [Un Secret]	2007	****	French - slowly unraveled story of Jews living in Paris during WWII - beautifully told with great acting
	Secret, The	2002	****	Engrossing tale of two women who committed a terrible crime when they were girls and how their lives have developed
	Secretariat	2010	****	Well acted and produced look at the famous racehorse and his owner - great feel good flick
	Secretary	2002	*	S&M at the office - horrible
	Secrets & Lies	1996	****	Brenda Blethyn gives a tour de force performance as an emotionally untied woman who is confronted with the daughter she gave up for adoption - depressing, but a great family drama with superior acting all around
	Secrets & Lies	2013	****	Australian - mini-series about a man who finds a neighborhood boy dead and comes under suspicion for the crime - well done
	Secuestro Express	2004	****	Venezuelan - a shocking look at a South American culture where crime is rampant and the police are probably worse than the criminals - engrossing
	Seducing Doctor Lewis [La Grande Seduction]	2003	***	French-Canadian - this tale of a small fishing village that needs a full-time doctor in order to have a factory built is best described as "charming with a wry sense of humor" - enjoyable
	See the Sea [Regarde la Mer]	1997	****	French - dark tale of a woman on vacation who allows a girl to camp on her property - intriguing story
	See You in Valhalla	2015	***	Fairly watchable dysfunctional family meets for a funeral comedy/drama

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	Seeing Other People	2004	☆☆☆	Fairly entertaining comedy in which a woman decides she was to have some sexual flings before she gets married - interesting characters
	Seeking a Friend for the End of the World	2012	☆	Usual Steve Carell deadpan claptrap - this time about his relationship with a kooky neighbor at the end of the world - boring
	Seeking Justice	2011	☆☆	A man seeks revenge for the attack on his wife - overdone cardboard story
	Self/less	2015	☆☆☆☆	Pretty good action science fiction thriller about a rich man who has his brain information infused into a healthy body - an entertaining guilty pleasure
	Send Me No Flowers	1964	☆☆☆☆	This Doris Day farce is one of the best with Rock Hudson as the hypochondriac husband and Tony Randall as the drunk neighbor - lots of fun
	Sense of an Ending, The	2017	☆☆☆☆	A man looks over his life and the mistakes he has made - absorbing character study with great acting
	Sentinel, The	2006	☆☆☆	Entertaining tale of a mole in the secret service plotting the death of the president
	Separate Lies	2005	☆☆☆☆	A perfect look and a man and a woman trapped in an emotionless marriage that is interrupted by infidelity and death - beautiful low-keyed acting on all parts - click to read full review
	Separation, A	2011	☆☆	Iranian - strange tale of a man separated from his wife who is trying to care for his father who is suffering from dementia - look at how lives are stifled by religious practices and out of date customs
	September Dawn	2007	☆☆☆☆	Highly dramatized look at the Mountain Meadow Massacre in which a band of Mormons supposedly murdered 120 people in a wagon train on September 11, 1857 - contains an unlikely love story but still very entertaining
	Serena	2015	☆☆	Moody piece about a Depression era lumberman and the somewhat unstable woman he marries - everything goes off the rails when she loses a child - good acting but not much substance
	Serial Killer 1 [L'affaire SK1]	2014	☆☆☆☆☆	French - an engrossing police and courtroom drama about the search for and conviction of a rapist murderer who terrified Paris in the 1990's - filled with a treasure of interesting and challenging characters
	Serious Man, A	2009	☆☆☆☆	I'm not sure I really liked this film, but it was so well done that it surely deserves the stars - I wanted an ending but could have guessed there wouldn't be one - great acting and characters
	Serpent's Egg, The	1978	☆	German - about experiments that foreshadow the horrors of concentration camps - murky and hard to understand
	Serpent's Kiss, The	1997	☆☆☆☆	Strange tale of a famous gardener and the people he encounters during a project - intriguing
	Service to Man	2016	☆☆	Loosely based upon the experiences of one of the first white students in a black Tennessee medical college - stilted and a little amateurish
	Serving Sara	2002	☆	Extremely bad Matthew Perry comedy
	Sessions, The	2012	☆☆☆☆☆	Beautiful character study focusing on a man suffering from polio and a sex therapist - based upon real characters
	Set Point [Täna öösel me ei maga] (literal translation - We Will Not Sleep Tonight)	2004	☆☆☆	Estonian - fairly standard plot in this crime drama but the interesting characters and location make it entertaining and enjoyable
	Seven Days in May	1964	☆☆☆☆☆	Great "classic" political thriller

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	Seven Days in Utopia	2011	☆☆☆	A young golfer who has a fit of temper on during a tournament finds spiritual fulfillment in a small town - not usually my cup of tea, but it stars Robert Duvall and Lucas Black - two very good actors
	Seven Pounds	2008	☆☆☆☆	Story of a man trying to redeem himself from a terrible mistake - entertaining but the power of Will Smith's acting gives it the fourth star
	Seven Samurai	1954	☆☆	Japanese - guess I'm just not smart enough to really enjoy this classic
	Seven Seconds	2018	☆☆☆☆☆	Power and realistic limited series about a police officer who accidently kills an African-American teenager and the resulting traumas that follow when other crooked cops try to cover it up - hard to watch but surely worth it
	Sex and Death 101	2007	☆	Self-indulgent mess about a womanizer going through a list of women with whom he is to have sex - pretty horrible
	Sex and Lucia	2002	☆☆☆☆	Woman getting over a love affair - beautiful sensuous movie
	Sex and the City 2	2010	☆☆☆	Lots of mindless fluff but a fun look at the "girls" as they get older and learn a few more things about life and themselves
	Sex and the City: Season 1	1998	☆☆☆☆	The beginning of the silliness about four New York women and their sex lives - many, many witty lines
	Sex and the City: The Movie	2008	☆☆☆☆	Entertaining spin-off from the cable series - lots of good laughs and tears
	Sex and Zen	1992	☆	Hong Kong - really bad and very silly soft porn flick with that has one unique aspect - takes place in ancient China
	Sex Is ...	1993	☆☆	Documentary - interviews with gay men
	Sex is Comedy [Scenes Intimes]	2002	☆	French - this film about filming a sex scene in a movie is dry and dull - who really cares about the self-centered actors and director
	Sex Tape	2014	☆	I rented <i>Sex Tape</i> and <i>Neighbors</i> together thinking of enjoying some low-class humor, but both turned out to be so bad that they make junior high school boys' comments about sex seem sophisticated - both are totally worthless wastes of time
	Sexo por Compasion [Compassionate Sex]	2000	☆	Mexican - a dud of a farce about a woman in a small town who decides to give away sexual favors to anyone who asks
	Sexual Chronicles of a French Family [Chroniques Sexuelles d'une Famille d'Aujourd'hui]	2012	☆☆☆	French - the title perfectly describes this look at a family with the angst revolving around the eighteen year old son who is still a virgin - interesting but nothing special
	Sexual Dependency [Dependencia Sexual]	2003	☆☆	Bolivian - a look at the lives of various teenagers and the influence of sex upon their behaviors - tries too hard to be innovative with a split screen throughout the film and the stories bouncing back and forth
	Sexual Matrix	1999	☆	Cyber sex goes all wrong - terrible movie
	Sexy Beast	2001	☆☆☆	Tour-de-force performance by Ben Kingsley as evil criminal and his control over companions - dark
	Shack, The	2017	☆	Overly long and saccharin telling of a man who comes to terms with the death of his young daughter - tedious
	Shades of Ray	2008	☆☆☆☆	Comic drama about a man who is half Pakistani who can't come to terms with his family and friends - mildly entertaining

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	Shadow Dancer	2012	☆☆☆	Good acting in this tale of a woman who is an IRA terrorist trying to save herself and her child but the plot is a bit muddled with the British and Irish accents causing one to miss a lot of the dialog
	Shadow of the Vampire	2000	☆☆☆	Strange film about the making of <i>Nosferatu</i> in 1922 - unusual performances
	Shadowboxer	2005	☆☆☆☆	Quirky thriller about a woman and her stepson - who is also her lover - who are hitmen and how they save a woman and her baby whom they were supposed to murder - great acting - brutal yet sexy
	Shadows of the Heart	1990	☆☆☆☆	Australian TV drama about young female doctor shaking up a conservative island after WWI
	Shadrach	1998	☆☆☆☆☆	A former slave returns to the plantation where he was born to die - great character study
	Shaggy Dog, The	2006	☆☆☆	Surprisingly funny and entertaining remake of the Disney classic - doesn't get too silly and there are some big laughs along the way
	Shake It All About [En Kort en lang]	2001	☆☆☆	Danish - romantic farce about a gay man who has an affair with a woman right before he is supposed to marry his partner - basically silly but with interesting, likable characters
	Shall We Dance?	1995	☆☆☆☆	Japanese - a man suffers a mid-life crisis and starts taking dance lessons because of a beautiful, enigmatic woman he sees in the window of the dance school - filled with quirky characters, humor, and pathos
	Shall We Dance?	2004	☆☆☆☆	This story of a successful businessman who climbs out of the rut of his life through taking dance lessons is a treat of colorful characters, great dancing, and excellent acting
	Shall We Kiss? [Un Baiser S'il Vous Plaît]	2007	☆☆	French - this supposedly relationship comedy is one of those talk, talk, talk about feelings mires - silly and boring
	Shallow Ground	2004	☆	Horror film with lots of blood and very little substance
	Shame	2011	☆☆☆☆	Man who lives a shallow life of pleasure has it disrupted by a visit from his very neurotic sister - extremely interesting characters
	Shanghai Noon	2000	☆☆	Jackie Chan action that is sometimes entertaining
	Shape of Things, The	2003	☆☆☆	Dark twist on the nerd becomes the "cool" guy story line
	Shape of Water, The	2017	☆☆☆☆	Great acting and characters in the fantasy about a somewhat lonely woman who falls in love with an amphibian man captured and tortured by the CIA
	Shattered	2007	☆☆	Supposed to be a thriller about a mysterious man who kidnaps a child and then practices psychological torture upon the parents - that whole thing is strained and pretty tedious
	Shattered City: The Halifax Explosion	2003	☆☆☆☆	Story of a collision of ships in the Halifax harbor in 1916 that lead to the largest man-made explosion up until the time of the atom bomb - a bit melodramatic but still a compelling story
	Shattered Glass	2003	☆☆☆☆	True story of Stephen Glass - writer for <i>The New Republic</i> - who faked most of his articles - interesting insight into a pathological liar - great acting
	Shaun of the Dead	2004	☆	This is supposed to be a witty, tongue-in-cheek British comedy about a loser who comes into his own after having to fight off an attack of zombies - not very witty - very bloody - no real entertainment value

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	She-Devil	1989	☆☆☆	An unattractive housewife battles her husband who deserted her for a famous author - silly but fun
	Shelter	2007	☆☆☆☆	Well done coming of age story about a young man who accepts the responsibility of caring for his family in place of his dream of art school intertwined with his realization of his true sexuality - good plot, good acting
	Shelter Me	2012	☆☆☆	Interesting documentary about how shelter dogs are trained as assist animals
	Shem	2004	☆☆☆	Tale of a young, aimless man who, at the request of his dying grandmother, goes on a quest to find the grave of his great-grandfather - inconsistencies in plot cause this not to be a four-starrer
	Shepherds and Butchers [aka: The Hangman: Shepherds and Butchers]	2016	☆☆☆☆☆	Based upon fact - a telling of the large number of South African executions of mostly black political prisoners during the time of apartheid - centers around a young guard whose mental state led to a mass murder - excellent, thoughtful, brutal
	Sherlock (aka: Sherlock:Case of Evil)	2004	☆☆☆	Just barely three stars because of a totally ridiculous climax - interesting contrived look at how Holmes would have been as a young man filled with passion rather than logic
	Sherlock Holmes	2009	☆☆	An English version of the tale - this one with great mechanical beasts - not as bad as the Hollywood film but pretty bad
	Sherlock Holmes	2009	☆	Turning the famous detective into a silly, cartoon action figure - what a waste
	Sherlock Holmes Faces Death	1943	☆☆☆☆	One of the best of the series - feature the Musgrave Ritual
	Sherlock Holmes in Washington	1943	☆☆☆☆	Inventive film in the series - one of the most entertaining
	Sherlock Holmes: Case of the Silk Stocking	2004	☆☆☆☆	Excellent BBC production with Rupert Everett as probably the best Holmes yet
	Sherlock Holmes: Dressed to Kill	1946	☆☆☆	Three "identical" musical boxes lead to murder
	Sherlock Holmes: Pursuit to Algiers	1945	☆☆☆	Protecting a prince returning to his country aboard a ship
	Sherlock Holmes: Terror by Night	1946	☆☆☆	This time Holmes must solve a murder and a jewel theft on a speeding train
	Sherlock Holmes: The House of Fear	1945	☆☆☆	Members of a club slowly being killed off
	Sherlock Holmes: The Pearl of Death	1944	☆☆☆☆	A good one from the series - watch out for The Creeper!
	Sherlock Holmes: The Scarlet Claw	1944	☆☆☆	In Canada to solve crimes of master of disguise
	Sherlock Holmes: The Secret Weapon	1942	☆☆☆	Secret bombsight stolen - uses dancing men premise
	Sherlock Holmes: The Spider Woman	1944	☆☆☆	Another entry made more interesting by the villain Gale Sondergaard
	Sherlock Holmes: The Voice of Terror	1942	☆☆☆	Nazis broadcasting about attacks - entertaining but not as strong as others in the series
	Sherlock Holmes: The Woman in Green	1945	☆☆☆	Wealthy men being hypnotized and then blackmailed by a beautiful woman
	Sherlock: Series 1	2010	☆☆☆☆	The famous character is now in modern day London - much more quirky but very entertaining
	Sherrybaby	2006	☆☆☆☆	Superior acting makes this tale of a "reformed" drug addict trying to start a new life and reconnect with her daughter - grim - realistic - extraordinary entertainment
	She's Funny That Way	2015	☆☆☆	A witty romantic farce involving show people on Broadway - fun and entertaining
	Shetland	2013	☆☆☆☆	Crime series taking place on the remote islands - involving crimes and characters with extraordinary scenery

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	Shine of Rainbows, A	2009	☆☆☆☆	An Irish orphan goes to live with an inspirational mother and a distant father - good family drama - great acting - excellent extra feature on the DVD
	Shiner	2004	☆☆	A gay <i>Fight Club</i> without the good acting or production values - pretty lame
	Shipping News, The	2001	☆☆☆☆	Life and mysteries in Newfoundland - great acting in a very good movie - critics were wrong in their blasts
	Shirley Valentine	1989	☆☆☆☆	Story of a middle aged English woman who breaks out of her rut - great script and acting
	Shock to the System	2006	☆☆☆☆	Second in a series about the exploits of a gay private investigator - not as good as the first, but still solid entertainment with very good acting and production values
	Shock to the System, A	1990	☆☆☆☆	Michael Caine is great as a murderous husband and employee when things reach their boiling point - enjoyable dark comedy
	Shoot 'Em Up	2007	☆☆☆☆	Totally improbable blood-soaked tale of a man trying to save the life of a baby - absurd but very well produced, acted, and fairly entertaining
	Shooter	2007	☆☆☆☆	An ex-Marine sharp shooter is framed for trying to assassinate the president - improbable situations but a great action flick
	Shooting of Thomas Hurndall, The	2008	☆☆☆☆	Story of a British peace protester who was shot by an Israeli soldier in the Gaza Strip in 2003 and his family's quest for investigation and justice - riveting
	Shooting Vegetarians	2000	☆	Horrible film - must admit I could only watch about fifteen minutes of this mess about a dim-witted vegetarian skateboarder who does not want to work in the family butcher shop
	Shopgirl	2005	☆☆☆☆	Well done adult romance in which a young woman falls in love with a much older man who doesn't want to commit - excellent acting all around
	Short Eyes	1977	☆	Prison drama - very talky
	Short History of Decay, A	2014	☆☆☆☆	Character driven story about a man who goes to visit his parents who are suffering from the effects of age - engaging
	Short Stay in Switzerland, A	2009	☆☆☆☆	Based upon a real British doctor with a debilitating neurological syndrome who chooses to go to Switzerland where assisted suicide is legal - great characters and acting
	Shortbus	2006	☆	Graphic sex as a means to inane psychobabble is what this film is all about - the sex is good, but how much of that can one take?
	Shot	2017	☆☆☆☆	The events following the accidental shooting of a man by a teenager and the effects upon both of their lives - sober and well done
	Shot in the Heart	2001	☆☆☆☆	Gary Gilmore's estranged brother visits him just before execution - insight into dysfunctional family - good
	Shotgun Stories	2007	☆☆☆☆	A look at lower class angst in rural Arkansas - good acting but very slow moving
	Shout	1991	☆☆☆☆	Musical with John Travolta as a teacher - good music
	Showboy	2002	☆☆☆☆	Made as a documentary - fairly entertaining film about a basically shallow guy who wants to become a Vegas dancer
	Shower [Xizao]	1999	☆☆☆☆	Chinese - heartwarming film about a successful businessman son returning to his home where his father and his mentally disabled brother run an old-fashioned bath house
	Showtime	2002	☆☆	Lame partners who are opposites cop story

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	Shrek	2001	☆☆☆	Lots of fun when a lovable ogre saves a princess
	Shrek 2	2004	☆☆☆☆	Further adventures of the lovable ogre and his new bride - entertaining and witty - lots of fun
	Shrek Forever After	2010	☆☆☆	Supposedly the end of the series - entertaining but not nearly as good as previous movies
	Shrek the Third	2007	☆☆☆	Entertaining third edition of the series - surprisingly witty and great extras on the DVD
	Shuffle	2011	☆☆☆	Entertaining story of a man with narcolepsy who keeps waking up at different ages and must discover why
	Shunning, The	2011	☆☆	Lackluster tale of an Amish girl who gets shunned for her independent behavior
	Shut Up and Kiss Me	2010	☆☆	Another gay-themed flick about a guy trying to find true love - some good moments but pretty dull
	Shut Up and Shoot Me [Sklapni a Zastrel Me]	2005	☆☆☆	Czech - silly dark comedy about an Englishman whose wife is killed while on vacation in the Czech Republic who wants to die - he hires a down and out Czech to do the job and the two of them blunder everything
	Shut Up! [Tais-toi!]	2003	☆☆☆☆	French - comedy about two prison escapees - one hardened criminal and the other a good-natured idiot - lots of good laughs
	Shutter Island	2010	☆☆☆☆	It is 1954, and a US marshal is given the job of finding a missing patient from an institution for the criminally insane - things are not as they seem - very effective psychological thriller - great acting
	Side Effects	2013	☆☆☆☆	Very good mystery about a woman who murders her husband while under the effects of drugs
	Sidewalks of New York	2001	☆☆☆	A typical Edward Burns film in which young adults chatter on and on about sex and romance - some good lines and situations
	Sidewalls [Medianeras]	2011	☆☆☆	Argentinean - quirky love story of two lonely people who are lost within the crush of the city - likeable characters - very witty at times - almost four stars
	Sideways	2004	☆☆☆☆	This is a buddy flick with an edge - funny and sad at the same time - realistic and insightful look at four extremely interesting characters
	Siege, The	1998	☆☆☆	Somewhat of a thinking man's action flick with scary foreshadowing of acts of the Bush administration
	Sierra Burgess Is a Loser	2018	☆☆	Not so good chunky smart girl falls in love with a jock high school story - some good moments but mostly lame
	Sightseers	2012	☆☆	Dark comedy of two dysfunctional people traveling around and leaving bodies in their wake - not very good
	Signs	2002	☆☆☆☆	Crop circles and aliens - good entertainment
	Silence, The	2010	☆☆☆☆	Four-part British mini-series about a cop trying to solve a murder that his deaf niece witnessed - good plot and acting
	Silence, The [Das Letzte Schweigen]	2010	☆☆☆☆	German - crime thriller about similar murders that occur many year apart - this is a character driven film with complex and interesting roles
	Silent Night	2002	☆☆☆☆	Better than the average holiday made for television movie - story of a German woman who takes in both United States and German soldiers on Christmas Eve with the understanding that they leave their weapons outside - based upon an actual event - click to read the full review

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	Silk	2007	☆☆☆☆	Interesting love story about a Frenchman who travels to Japan in the 1860's to smuggle silkworm eggs - very slow moving but interesting
	Silver Bells	2005	☆☆☆☆	Hallmark made for television movie about a son estranged from his father offers good quality holiday fare with not as much sugar coating as most
	Silver City	2004	☆	I'm sure my politically orientated relatives would fine this film a "must see" but I found it just extremely boring - how far John Sayles has fallen!!!
	Silver Linings Playbook	2012	☆☆☆☆	Story of two dysfunctional people finding each other - great acting, but I don't see how anyone could classify this film as a comedy - unless "comedy" is used in the classic sense - sad characters
	Silver Screen: Color Me Lavender	1998	☆☆	Absurd documentary about the supposedly gay under-themes in some movies of the forties and fifties - not very good
	Silver Skies	2016	☆☆	Depressing tale of old Hollywood types whose apartment complex changes to condos - glum
	Simon	2004	☆☆☆☆	Dutch - story of a friendship between two opposites - one, an over-the-top player and ladies man, the other, a conservative gay man - interesting characters and an educational insight to legal euthanasia
	Simon - El Gran Varon	2002	☆☆	Mexican - extremely simplistic tale of a macho father who ruins the lives of his family because he cannot accept a gay son - the only thing that got this two stars was the laughable errors in grammar and spelling in the subtitles
	Simon and the Oaks [Simon och Ekarna]	2011	☆☆☆☆	Swedish - multi-layered tale of two boys growing up in WWII Sweden - solid entertainment
	Simone	2002	☆☆	Man creates a cyber actress and then falls in love - lame
	Simple Life of Noah Dearborn, The	1999	☆☆☆☆	Very dull made for television movie about a quiet man whom developers are trying to steal his land - watchable but nothing special
	Simple Plan, A	1998	☆☆☆☆	Three redneck guys find over four million dollars in a crashed plane and decide to keep the money - tragedy results - great mood and acting
	Simple Twist of Fate, A	1994	☆☆☆☆	Story of a lonely man who finds he must care for an orphaned child - could have been good but Steve Martin went a little over the top in his portrayal of the man
	Since Otar Left	2004	☆☆☆☆	French - interesting story of an old Georgian woman whose son goes to Paris for a better life and then dies in an accident - her daughter and granddaughter hide this from her - insightful look at family relationships and the political state of Georgia
	Since You Went Away	1944	☆☆☆☆	Highly sentimental film about a family waiting for the return of the father from the war - good acting
	Sing Street	2016	☆☆☆☆	Irish - 1980's story of a young man who is an outcast at his new school starting a band and falling in love with a enigmatic young woman - good music, but a unrealistic ending lost it a star
	Singin' in the Rain	1952	☆☆☆☆	Often said to be the best movie musical of all times - not sure I totally agree, but it sure is super entertainment
	Singing Detective, The	2003	☆	A muddled, boring mess about a writer in the hospital imagining himself as one of his characters

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	Singing Forest, The	2003	★	Extremely badly produced and stupid movie - get this - a widower goes to a psychic who tells him that he is the reincarnation of a gay German who has a tragic WWII affair - he goes to meet his daughter's fiancé and has an affair with him because he is the reincarnation of the other WWII German - give me a break
	Single Man, A	2009	★★★★	Very good acting in this story of one day in the life of a man who is mourning the death of his partner of sixteen years
	Single Moms Club, The	2014	★★	Inspid plot and cardboard characters about single moms seeking validation - ironically, they only achieve "success" when each gets a man - it is a mystery as to why Tyler Perry's movies are such successes
	Single-Handed	2007	★★★★	Dark but very interesting tales of a lone officer trying to keep the peace in the stark environs of Western Ireland - very good series
	Sink the Bismark	1960	★★★★	Great movie showing the actions of the British "think tank" in its quest of the <i>Bismark</i> in WWII
	Siren in the Dark, A	2008	★	Muddled mess of psychological BS revolving around a predatory gay boy - waste of time
	Sirens	2002	★★★	Two part British mini-series about the search for a serial rapist and the complications for an officer on the case - entertaining but nothing special
	Sister My Sister	1994	★★★★	Interesting story based upon real life about the tragic relationship between two sisters and their employer - great look at how class structure can affect behaviors
	Sisterhood of the Traveling Pants 2, The	2008	★★★	The girls continue to become of age, but this outing is not nearly as entertaining - pretty standard fare
	Sisterhood of the Traveling Pants, The	2005	★★★★	Well done girls coming of age story with excellent acting - would have been five stars except for the overly sappy feel good ending
	Sisters	2015	★★★	Comedy about two dysfunctional sisters returning to their family home to clean out their bedroom after their parents have sold - too silly at times but still fairly entertaining
	Sitcom	1998	★★★	French - quirky black comedy about an extremely dysfunctional family - a little tedious but mildly entertaining
	Six Dance Lessons in Six Weeks	2015	★★	Stiff acting in this tale of a young dancer who teaches and becomes friends with an elderly woman
	Six Degrees of Separation	1993	★★★★	Great film with super acting - based upon the play about a NYC con man
	Six Feet Under: Season 1	2000	★★★★★	Great cable series - catches you and won't let go
	Six Feet Under: Season 2	2001	★★★★★	The second season may be even better than the first in this superior cable series about a group of seriously dysfunctional and fascinating people
	Six Feet Under: Season 3	2002	★★★★	The third season is not quite as "tight" in its story lines as the first two - plus this totally depressed group of people is getting to be a little wearing
	Six Feet Under: Season 4	2003	★★★★★	After a lackluster Season 3, this season returned to the entertaining, quirky quality of Seasons 1 and 2
	Six Feet Under: Season 5	2004	★★★★	Series ends with a watchable but not anything special season - the ending that shows what happens in the future is a little too pat considering the dysfunctional craziness of the people

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	Sixth Sense, The	1999	★★★★★	Little boy who "sees dead people" great flick
	Sixty Six	2006	★★★★	Quirky characters highlight the efforts of a London boy trying to plan the greatest bar mitzvah on the day of the World Soccer Championship game in 1966 - a little strained but heartfelt and fun
	Skateland	2010	★★★★	A coming of age story that takes place in 1970's Texas - fairly simple plot but with good acting and great background music
	Skeleton Key, The	2005	★★★	Entertaining thriller about a woman who experiences strange events in Louisiana
	Skeleton Twins, The	2014	★★★	Good acting and fairly interesting characters in this film about dysfunctional twins - the film is supposed to be bitter-sweet but it is more bitter than sweet
	Skeletons in the Closet	2000	★★★	Man thinks own son might be serial killer - entertaining
	Ski Trip, The	2004	★★	One of those "friends gather at a country cabin and reveal secrets" movies - this time most of the characters are gay - surprisingly good production values, but pretty lame otherwise - and there's not a ski to be seen
	Skin	2008	★★★★	Brutal but inspiring story based upon fact of a South African girl who is born of Caucasian parents with dark skin and all of the tragic problems experienced under the horrible rule of apartheid
	Skin I Live In, The [La Piel Que Habito]	2011	★★★★	Spanish - Bizarre twisting of the Frankenstein story is an engrossing drama/thriller - great acting - not too sure about the ending
	Skins	2002	★★★★	Life and depression on a Native American reservation - great character studies
	Skinwalkers	2002	★★★★	Crime amongst Native Americans - very good
	Skipped Parts	2000	★★★★	Insightful teen and his rebellious mother - great characters
	Skull & Bones	2007	★	Gay serial killers - bad acting - horrible script - total waste
	Sky Captain and the World of Tomorrow	2004	★	This cartoon movie just didn't do it for me even though the art of the movie was original
	Skyfall	2012	★★★★	The 50th Anniversary Bond film starts a little slow with the same old, same old car chase but builds to a great ending
	Skyscraper	2018	★★★★	A man must save his family from evil men - action flick with totally unbelievable feats by the main character but still solid, "fun" entertainment
	Slap Shot	1977	★★★	Another 70's flick that is way over the top as far as overblown actions and characters but this one about a down and out ice hockey team is still fun
	Slap, The	2011	★★★★	Australian - series in which the lives of a group of friends are examined after an incident at a party - good acting - realistic characters
	Sleeper Cell: Season 1	2005	★★★★	A Muslim FBI agent infiltrates a sleeper cell planning destruction in Los Angeles - pretty good - final episode is a bit over the top
	Sleepers	1996	★★★★★	Story of four men who seek revenge upon guards who abused them in juvenile hall - excellent acting
	Sleeping Dictionary, The	2001	★★★★	Highly romanticized story of a young man who goes to Borneo in 1936 and falls in love with a native girl much to the despair of the British authorities - good guilty pleasure love story

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	Sleeping Dogs Lie	2006	☆☆☆☆	A very good dark comedy based upon a gross - really gross - fact about the main character revealed in the opening minutes of the film - witty and touching
	Sleeping with the Enemy	1991	☆☆☆	Moderately entertaining thriller in which a woman devises a scheme to escape from her psychotic, abusive husband - too many contrived situations keeps it from getting more than three stars
	Sleepless	2017	☆	A crooked cop's son is kidnapped after a drug deal goes wrong - totally unlikeable characters all around - no real hero to root for - a waste
	Sleepless Night [Nuit Blanche]	2011	☆☆☆☆	French - action thriller about a cop trying to save his son who is being held by drug dealers - nothing special but entertaining
	Sleepwalk With Me	2012	☆☆	Dull story of a stand up comedian trying to make it
	Sleepwalking	2008	☆☆	Dysfunctional family problems - well acted but not very good
	Sleepy Hollow	1999	☆☆☆☆	Tim Burton's version of the legend - dark and beautiful - great special features
	Sleuth	2007	☆☆	Updated version of a battle of wits between two men in love with the same woman has good acting, is expertly produced, but just too dull
	Sliding Doors	1998	☆☆☆☆	One incident leading to two different outcomes - entertaining film of this genre
	Slow Burn	2005	☆☆☆☆	A district attorney has a few hours to determine if his assistant - and also lover - has committed murder - great acting with lots of intriguing twists and turns
	Slow West	2015	☆☆☆☆	Grim character study about a young man traveling through the West with the aid of a gunslinger - watchable but not great
	Slumdog Millionaire	2008	☆☆☆☆	Certainly not the best picture of 2008 but still an entertaining tale of a boy from the slums who is able to achieve his dreams
	Slut, The	2011	☆☆	Israeli - grim tale of a woman of somewhat loose sexual habits and her life in a small village - not very entertaining
	Slutty Summer	2004	☆	Lackluster tale of gay man searching for true love - bad acting, bad script - just bad
	Small Apartments	2012	☆	Strange characters in a run-down apartment house - just plain boring
	Small Circle of Friends, A	1980	☆☆☆☆	Three good friends in college during the late 60's into the 70's - very sentimental but I liked it because it reminded me so much of my youth
	Small Island	2009	☆☆☆☆	A Masterpiece Theater production about racial prejudice during and after WWII in England - good story but some of it is overdone with some overacting to boot - enjoyable but just barely four stars
	Small Time	2014	☆☆☆☆	Heartfelt tale of a good-hearted used car dealer whose son comes to work for him after he graduates from high school - pleasing characters
	Small Time Crooks	2000	☆☆	With goobs of big stars, this movie should have been much better
	Small Town Crime	2017	☆☆☆☆	An alcoholic ex-cop tries to solve the murder of a teenager along with help from her wealthy grandfather - good story - interesting characters
	Small Town Murder Songs	2010	☆☆☆☆	Strange movie about a sheriff with demons in a small Canadian where a murder is committed - somewhat uneven

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	Small Town Saturday Night	2009	☆☆☆☆	A singer plans to go to Nashville with his girlfriend and her daughter, but the girlfriend is getting cold feet - machinations of the working class in a small town - more entertaining than you would expect - note of interest: star Chris Pine plays son to his real father, Robert
	Smell of Success, The	2011	☆	This supposedly ironic comedy about the manure business is just a big stinker
	Smile	2005	☆☆	Story of two teenaged girls - one in the US and one in China - the one in China is badly disfigured - over acting does this movie in
	Smokers Only	2002	☆	Depressed girl falls for street hustler - depressing
	Snails in the Rain	2013	☆☆☆☆	Israeli - an attractive university student is being stalked by a mysterious man - this harkens back memories of some semi-homosexual experiences while he served in the military - uneven plot
	Snatched	2017	☆☆	Unrewarding comedy about a woman and her mother who end up being kidnapped in a Latin American country
	Sneakers	1992	☆☆☆☆	Lots of big stars in this crime thriller about a group trying to recover a computer-like device that can bring down all governments - mildly entertaining
	Snitch	2013	☆☆☆☆	Well done crime tale in which a father is helping to find drug dealers in order to get a reduced sentence for his son - supposedly based upon factual events - insight into unfair mandatory drug laws
	Snow Angels	2007	☆☆☆☆	The lives of people intersect in a small town - interesting stories and interesting characters
	Snow Cake	2006	☆☆☆☆☆	A man gives a charming young woman a ride, but she is killed in an accident - he goes to visit her mother who is autistic and becomes involved in her life - excellent acting and storyline
	Snow Falling on Cedars	1999	☆☆☆☆☆	Thought-provoking movie revolving around a trial but really showing how Japanese-Americans were treated during WWII
	Snow Walker, The	2003	☆☆☆☆	Well told story of a bush pilot in the Arctic who agrees to carry an ill Inuit woman to a hospital - the plane crashes and they are both stranded in the vast wilderness - understated and beautiful in spirit and scenery
	Snowden	2016	☆☆☆☆☆	A gripping film about the man who exposed some of the dirty dealings of the NSA and became a wanted man rather than a hero whistleblower - just another look at what our country has become
	Snowman, The	2017	☆☆☆☆	Police thriller about the hunt for a serial killer in Norway - complex story with interesting characters and very good acting
	So Undercover	2012	☆☆☆☆	Miley Cyrus working undercover in a sorority - better than expected
	Soccer Nanny, The [aka: Au Pair, Kansas]	2011	☆	Totally absurd tale in which a widow hires a guy from Norway to be an <i>au pair</i> for her two boys - bad plot spoils what might have been some likeable characters
	Social Network, The	2010	☆☆☆☆	Well written story of the creation of <i>Facebook</i> - it is hard to believe that Jesse Eisenberg is nominated for an Academy Award considering he gave his usual dead-pan performance
	Socket	2007	☆☆	<i>Gay Dr. Jekyll and Mr. Hyde</i> is a bit over the top - jumped the shark when they installed plugs in their wrists so they could plug themselves in to convenient outlets

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	Soft Hearts	1999	☆☆	Weak comedy about a girl who gets pregnant by a gay guy - dull "humor"
	Solace	2015	☆☆	The FBI and an expert trying to catch a serial killer - interesting premise but gets bogged down with a lot of mystical mumbo jumbo and over-the-top camera tricks
	Solaris	2002	☆☆	One of those films about the future where everyone wears gray and all are psychologically stilted
	Soldier of Orange	1977	☆☆☆☆	Dutch - interesting film about the Dutch resistance against the Nazis - based upon fact
	Soldier's Girl	2003	☆☆☆☆☆	Beautifully made movie about a "forbidden" love that led to murder - great extra features
	Soldiers of Change	2006	☆☆☆☆	Sappy but entertaining tale of racial conflict in the 1970's revolving around a soldier in the Viet Nam war
	Solid Gold Cadillac, The	1956	☆☆☆☆	Great old Judy Holliday vehicle - dated but entertaining
	Solitary Man	2009	☆☆	A man who was once rich and respected is on the skids yet his womanizing never ends causing him to slide even further down - depressing and basically boring
	Solo	2013	☆☆	Argentinean - two men meet up after meeting on the Internet and bad things occur - too talky
	Soloist, The	2009	☆☆☆☆	Could have been a more enjoyable tale of a true story about a mentally ill, but extremely talented musician, who is discovered on the streets by a reporter - Robert Downey, Jr. overplays the part of the journalist so much that it spoils a good story
	Solomon & Gaenor	2000	☆☆☆☆☆	Love affair between Welsh girl and Jewish boy at the turn of the century - moving story - great characters
	Someone Like You	2001	☆☆☆☆	Fun sex comedy with Ashley Judd, Greg Kinnear, and Hugh Jackman
	Someone Marry Barry	2014	☆☆☆☆	Silly over-the-top comedy about a social misfit meeting his soul mate - fun
	Somersault	2005	☆☆☆☆	Australian - entertaining story of a girl and boy facing some of the problems of life - nothing special but interesting characters
	Something Borrowed	2011	☆☆	Another mediocre young and in love with your best friend's fiancé stories - bland entertainment
	Something New	2006	☆☆☆☆	Somewhat bland but pleasing tale of a conservative Black woman business executive who falls for a free-thinking Caucasian landscaper - enjoyable characters
	Something the Lord Made	2004	☆☆☆☆☆	This cable movie based upon the real-life men who partnered to create the first heart surgery is an intriguing look at the men and the racism that existed in the United States through the Sixties
	Something's Gotta Give	2003	☆☆☆☆☆	Love past the age of fifty - witty and fun - almost five stars except for the crying jag part
	Somewhat Gentle Man, A	2010	☆☆☆☆	Norwegian - quirky dark comedy about a man who gets out of prison after twelve years and seeks a better life - a slow-moving delight
	Son Frère [His Brother]	2003	☆☆☆☆	French - intriguing tale of two estranged brothers who reunite when one is dying of a mysterious disease
	Son of No One, The	2011	☆☆	Muddled mess about a police officer who is hiding a secret from his past - many undeveloped and unexplained characters
	Son of Rambow	2007	☆☆☆☆	Fantasy about two pre-teen outcasts who bond while making an amateur film - improbable situations but the kids are likeable and good actors

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	Son of the Bride	2001	☆☆☆	Argentina - middle aged man runs away from his life - interesting story
	Son, The	2002	☆☆☆	French - man who teaches at a trade school for boys released from juvenile detention encounters boy who killed his son - would have gotten four stars except for extremely annoying camera techniques
	Song One	2015	☆☆	Dry story of a woman who becomes romantically involved with a singer whom her brother in a coma really admires - not very good
	Songcatcher	1999	☆☆☆☆	Collecting songs in turn of century Appalachia - wonderful music - strong characters - great atmosphere
	Sonny	2002	☆☆☆	Ultimate dysfunctional family - mother trains son to be hustler - he tries to change - great acting
	Sons & Lovers	2003	☆☆☆☆	D.H. Lawrence's tale of an extremely dysfunctional family with the ultimate mother from hell is well acted and atmospheric
	Son's Room, The	2001	☆☆☆☆	Italian - the loss of a son upon a family - hard but excellent
	Sophie and the Rising Sun	2016	☆☆☆☆	Interesting characters in this somewhat romanticized look at the arrival of a mysterious Asian man in a small South Carolina town just before the attack upon Pearl Harbor - a pleasing movie experience
	Sophie Scholl: The Final Days	2005	☆☆☆☆	German - true story of three college students who were executed in 1943 for protesting the policies of Hitler - engrossing dialog - DVD has long interviews with relatives and those who experienced the times - click to read a full review
	Sophie's Choice	1982	☆☆☆☆☆	Superior acting and great, atmospheric sets and photography make this tragic story of a woman's heart wrenching decision during WWII a total winner - hard to watch but worth it - great special features on the DVD
	Sordid Lives	2001	☆☆☆☆	Life amongst Texas white trash - great characters
	Sorrell and Son	1984	☆☆☆☆	1921-1936 England - a man sacrifices to provide a good life for his son - well-done melodrama at its best
	Soul Kitchen	2009	☆☆☆☆	German - comedy about a guy who owns a restaurant trying to juggle all of his problems in life - likeable characters - fun
	Soul Surfer	2011	☆☆	Saccharine telling of the true story of the champion surfer who lost her arm to a shark but continued her sport - just too sweet for words - no family can be that smiling and wonderful
	Sound of Music, The	1965	☆☆☆☆☆	The nay-sayers can poo poo as much as they want - this is a superior and highly entertaining musical
	Sound of the Sea [Son de mar]	2001	☆☆☆☆	Spanish - a classic tragedy in which two people are brought to ruin by passion - fairly standard in plot but beautifully done
	Soundman	2001	☆☆☆	Strange tale of a man trying to get a music audition for the women he loves - unusual twists and turns
	Source Code	2011	☆☆☆	Interesting science fiction about a soldier whose essence is implanted into another man in order to find a terrorist bomber
	South from Granada [Al sur de Granada]	2003	☆☆☆☆	Spanish - biopic of Gerald Brenan's adventures and romances in southern Spain in the 1920's - filled with colorful characters and locations - a real treat - click to read the full review

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	South of Pico	2007	☆☆☆	One of those tales where different stories of separate characters come together in a tragic climax - mildly interesting but with lots of holes - just barely three stars
	South Riding	2011	☆☆☆☆	Television mini-series about a school mistress in 1930's England - not the greatest but still solid entertainment
	Southpaw	2015	☆☆☆☆	Gritty tale of the fall of a brutal boxer after the death of his wife and how he is able to change his outlook on life with the guidance of a new trainer - great acting
	Space Between Us, The	2017	☆☆	Too long and poorly done teenage love story filled with lots of clichéd science fiction and action
	Space Cowboys	2000	☆☆☆☆	Old heros in space - great old macho actors - lots of fun
	Spanglish	2004	☆☆☆☆	Bittersweet tale of a woman from Mexico who comes to the United States to seek a better future for her daughter and herself and her experiences with a rich, dysfunctional California family - slow but entertaining
	Spanish Prisoner, The	1997	☆☆	David Mamet "twist and turn" story is not my cup of tea - critics loved it - click to read the full review
	Spanking the Monkey	1994	☆☆☆☆	This film starts out as standard teenaged angst fare but develops into a dark drama of a dysfunctional family - intriguing
	Spare Parts	2015	☆☆☆☆	Inspiring story based upon fact about four illegal high school boys who enter a robotics contest and win against the college teams - good characters
	Sparkling Cyanide	1983	☆☆	Not very good television movie of the Christie story - bland all around
	Spartan	2004	☆☆☆	A thriller about the kidnapping of the "president's" daughter with lots of twists and doubledealing - fairly entertaining
	Speakeasy	2002	☆☆☆☆	One of those films that shows how chance encounters can change the lives of the people involved - complex, interesting characters and great acting
	Special Forces [Forces Spéciales]	2011	☆☆☆☆	French - grim but well done story of special forces going to rescue a reporter from the Taliban - mostly guts - very little glory
	Special Relationship, The	2010	☆☆☆☆	Great HBO film about the relationship between Tony Blair and Bill Clinton - plus the relationship with and between the wives - engrossing entertainment
	Specimen	1995	☆☆	Alien child planted in earthly womb - now they're back to claim him - just watchable
	Spectacular Now, The	2013	☆	An egotistical high school boy finds his way - a bland movie that only a teenage girl would like
	Spectre	2015	☆☆☆	The latest James Bond flick pushes all the right buttons with a far more thoughtful Bond and far more interesting supporting characters
	Speechless	2012	☆☆☆	Chinese - made on the sly in China because of the homosexual element in the story - not greatly entertaining but an interesting look at small town and village Chinese life
	Speed	1994	☆☆☆☆	A madman, a bus that can't go below 50 MPH, a cocky young woman, and a heroic young policeman - ok, it's hokey but great action entertainment
	Speedway Junky	1999	☆☆☆	Dark story - young man runs away to Las Vegas and is taken in by a male prostitute - interesting character study
	Spencer's Mountain	1963	☆☆☆☆	Movie of the book that later became TV <i>Waltons</i> - great cast in a feel-good movie

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	Spetters	1980	☆☆☆	Dutch - young men learning about life and love - fairly entertaining
	Spider	2003	☆☆	Story of an insane man and how he got that way - good acting but very slow
	Spider-Man	2002	☆☆☆	Cartoon to movie - entertaining
	Spider-Man 2	2004	☆☆☆	Good because it focuses more on the characters than on the special effects - fun to watch
	Spider-Man 3	2007	☆☆☆☆	Very entertaining edition in which Peter Parker gets to explore his darker side - more acting and fewer special effects add to the quality
	Spider-Man: Homecoming	2017	☆	All of these Marvel movies have become so incestuous that they only appeal to the teenage boys who follow all of these comic book characters - this one is silly and lacking in any form of adult entertainment
	Spin	2004	☆☆☆	Coming of age story set in the late 40's and early 50's revolving around the love of flying - nothing special but still entertaining
	Spinning Into Butter	2007	☆☆☆	Racial relations at a small college in Vermont - good acting but plot is somewhat flawed
	Splendor	1999	☆☆	A menage-a-trois comedy that is not very funny and basically boring
	Split	2016	☆	A man with split personalities kidnaps three teen girls - too long and tedious
	Spotlight	2015	☆☆☆☆☆	Great acting and an engrossing story in this telling of the <i>Boston Globe's</i> investigation of the sex abuse scandal in the Catholic Church
	Spotswood (aka: The Efficiency Expert)	1992	☆☆☆	Australian - an efficiency expert goes to evaluate a business that is peopled by quirky characters - mildly entertaining
	Spring 1941	2008	☆☆☆☆	Grim look at the lives of a Jewish family in Poland who hid with a Christian woman in the countryside - a strange love affair begins between the woman and the Jewish husband - not a pleasant film but fascinating
	Spring Breakdown	2007	☆	Three women in their late thirties who were outcasts in college and are basically outcasts in life go to spring break in Texas - absurd and boring with not one funny moment
	Spring Forward	1999	☆☆☆☆☆	Great story about an older man who takes an insecure ex-con under his wings
	Spring, Summer, Fall, Winter...and Spring [Bom, Yeoreum, Gaeul, Gyeowool, Geurigo Bom]	2004	☆☆☆☆☆	Korean - composed of striking images - basically the story of a holy man who is in charge of a boy and how the boy goes wrong and then is redeemed through his religious beliefs - extraordinary telling of life's lessons
	Spy	2015	☆☆☆	Entertaining comedy take-off of spy movies with lots of fun characters - especially Jason Statham making fun of his character type
	Spy Game	2001	☆☆☆☆	Machinations in the CIA - cross and doublecross - great acting
	Spy Kids	2001	☆	Tedious and silly - boring
	Spy Next Door, The	2009	☆☆☆	Silliness with Jackie Chan as a spy who falls in love with his next door neighbor and must deal with her resentful kids - mindless entertainment
	Square, The	2008	☆☆☆☆	Australian - basically a crime drama in which just about everything goes wrong - would have been only three stars if not for the dark comedy elements - entertaining
	Squid and the Whale, The	2005	☆☆☆☆	Engrossing tale of a dysfunctional family headed by a self-centered intellect

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	SS-GB	2017	☆☆☆	Limited series about a police detective in 1941 England which is under the control of Germany and Russia - he becomes involved in the resistance movement - pretty good except for an unsatisfying ending
	St. Ives	1998	☆☆☆☆	Period piece - Frenchman from Napoleon's army in Scotland - great acting and atmosphere
	St. Trinian's: The Legend of Fritton's Gold	2009	☆	The very worst of British humor taking place at a bizarre girls' school
	St. Vincent	2014	☆☆☆☆	Delightful characters in this tale of a curmudgeon who befriends the little boy next door - a little sugar-coated but still highly entertaining
	Stage Beauty	2004	☆☆☆☆	Extremely entertaining film about a famous actor who played the women's parts at the time of King Charles II - interesting characters and very good acting
	Stalag Luft	1993	☆☆	British comedy that takes place in a WWII German prison camp - just mildly entertaining
	Stan	2006	☆☆☆	Character study involving the last meeting of Stan Laurel with Oliver Hardy - interesting insight into the two men
	Stand Off	2012	☆☆☆☆	Irish - quirky comedy about a man being held hostage in a Belfast antique shop - great characters with lots of heart
	Stander	2003	☆☆☆☆	Fact-based story of a South African police officer who become a famous bank robber - interesting insight
	Star Is Born, A	1976	☆☆	What a difference thirty years can make - in 1976, I thought this remake of the classic was great - today it seems overblown with lots of bad, bad acting - at least age brings a little taste
	Star Trek	2009	☆☆	Disappointing tale of the early lives of Kirk and Spock - too much violence and not enough substance
	Star Trek Beyond	2016	☆☆☆☆	Entertaining adventure with new actors playing in the original roles - as with far too many action films of today weighs too much on special effects and not enough upon characters
	Star Trek: First Contact	1996	☆☆	What could have been an interesting tale of the beginning of Earth's entry into the Federation of Space falls flat mainly because of the over-the-top slapstick "humor"
	Star Trek: Into Darkness	2013	☆☆☆☆	Mildly entertaining addition to the series - gets a bit carried away with special effects
	Star Trek: Nemesis	2002	☆☆	Not very entertaining entry in the group
	Starbuck	2011	☆☆☆☆	French-Canadian - heartfelt comedy/drama in which a man finds out his sperm has fathered over 500 children, 142 of which are seeking his identity - filled with charming characters
	Stark Raving Mad	2002	☆	Truly horrible robbery caper film with silly, unlikable characters and wooden acting
	Starman	1984	☆☆☆☆	This story of an alien who crashes on Earth, takes the form of a dead husband, and goes on a cross-country race to be rescued is great fun and very entertaining
	Starred Up	2013	☆☆	Depressing British prison drama
	Starsky & Hutch	2004	☆☆☆☆	Spoof of 70's television series that is fairly watchable
	Starter for 10	2006	☆☆☆☆☆	Great little film about a boy from a working class family who goes to college - his loves, his successes, and his failures - witty with an extremely likable lead and supporting characters

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	Starting Out in the Evening	2007	***	Story of an aging author who has been working on his latest book for over ten years, his troubled daughter, and a young graduate student who is writing a paper on the man - very slow moving but good acting - just barely three stars
	Starz Inside: The Face is Familiar	2009	***	Documentary that features some well-known character actors - entertaining
	State and Main	2000	**	Filmmakers in small-town Vermont - another David Mamet mess
	State of Mind	2003	****	British mini-series about a forensic psychologist whose personal life colors her judgment in the examination of a man who ran down his wife with his car - some shaky plot devices and actions but great acting
	State of Play	2003	****	British political thriller mini-series - exciting and well acted
	State of Play	2009	****	Politics, the press, and murder - very good revision of the great British mini-series - great acting and action
	State Within, The	2006	*****	British mini-series about a government conspiracy involving the British Ambassador in Washington, DC - exciting from the beginning to the end - great acting all around
	Statement, The	2003	***	Political thriller based upon an event of a Frenchman working with the Nazis in WWII - his murder of Jews and the hunt for him in present-day France - great acting
	Staten Island	2009	**	Not very good dark comedy about gangsters and criminals
	Stateside	2004	**	Story of a rich kid who has to join the Marines in order to keep from going to jail who meets a schizophrenic actress - based upon real life - somewhat tedious
	Station Agent, The	2003	****	Intriguing independent film about the intersection of several interesting people - all centering around a reclusive dwarf who has inherited a deserted railway station in rural New Jersey
	Stationmaster's Wife, The	1977	*	German - story of a cheating wife in pre-WWII Germany - overdone and over acted
	Staying Alive	1983	**	Sequel to Saturday Night Fever doesn't go very far - entertainment wise
	Staying Vertical [Rester Vertical]	2016	***	French - a truly bizarre film in which a down and out screen writer who is basically gay gets a girl pregnant and then has to deal with his infant son along with other strange characters along the way somewhat interesting but still lacking
	Steal Me	2005	***	Story of a boy deserted by his mother who takes up with a farm family - interesting but unsatisfying ending
	Stealing Harvard	2002	*	Really horrible Tom Green comedy
	Stealth	2005	***	A robot airplane and young, courageous pilots - an entertaining guilty pleasure pic
	Steam: The Turkish Bath	1997	****	Turkish - a man returns to Turkey to inherit a bath house - really fascinating characters
	Steel City	2006	***	Sobering story of two generations in a dysfunctional family - especially the relationship between a father and the son he deserted - pretty good but nothing special
	Steel Magnolias	1989	*****	This story of strong, southern woman and their ups and downs in life - based upon real people - may be the ultimate "chick flick" but it is still superior entertainment

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	Steel Toes	2006	★★★★	Harsh drama about a Jewish defense attorney who is defending a neo-Nazi who beat an Indian man to death - basically conversations between the two - excellent acting - gripping - click to read a full review
	Stella Days	2011	★★★	Fairly bland tale about a priest trying to bring progress to a Irish village in the 1950's
	Step Lively, Jeeves!	1937	★★★★	In this the second in which Arthur Treacher plays Jeeves, the script is far wittier and the characters more amusing even though it has nothing to do with the Jeeves of the novels - very good special features on the DVD which is a double feature with Thank You, Jeeves!
	Step Up	2006	★★★	Fairly standard bad boy is reformed by girl he meets at a performance high school - good dancing - too much rap-type music for my tastes
	Stepford Wives, The	2004	★★★	Nothing special, but entertaining fluff because of good acting and over-the-top production
	Steve Jobs	2015	★★★	Overly verbose look at a brilliant but severely maladjusted man - one who has had great influence upon modern society
	Steve Martin and Martin Short: An Evening You Will Forget for the Rest of Your Life	2018	★★★★	Very entertaining show with the two comedians with an extra treat of Steve Martin performing on the banjo with the Steep Canyon Band
	Stiff Upper Lips	2000	★★★	Victorian England - an aristocratic woman wants sex with a peasant - wild and funny
	Still Alice	2014	★★★★	Somber tale of the effects upon a woman and her family when she comes down with early onset Alzheimer's - good acting
	Still Mine	2013	★★★★★	A farmer attempts to build a new house for his ailing wife and is attacked by the bureaucratic system at its worst - based upon actual events - a wonderful character study
	Stir of Echoes	1999	★★★	Kevin Bacon as a man who sees visions of a murder - dark and entertaining
	Stolen	2009	★★★★	Two stories fifty years apart concerning the fathers of murdered sons - cable television actors do a great job with a solid story - very entertaining
	Stolen	2012	★★★	Mildly entertaining action flick in which a criminal's old partner kidnaps his daughter - colorful characters
	Stolen Summer	2002	★★★★	An 8-year-old Catholic boy tries to convert his friend - the terminally ill Jew so he can enter heaven - beautiful
	Stone	2010	★★	Depressing drama about damaged unlikeable people - good acting though
	Stone Angel, The	2007	★★★★	An old woman who is dying looks back upon her life and the relationship with her father, her husband, and her sons - great acting
	Stone of Destiny	2008	★★★★	Based upon fact - the story of four college students who, in 1950, steal the Stone of Scone and return it to Scotland after some seven hundred years - interesting and fun with very likeable actors
	Stonewall	1995	★★★★	A semi-fictional account of the 1969 Stonewall riots - not bad
	Stoning in Fulham County, A	1988	★★★	A prosecutor fights prejudice against the Amish in a small North Carolina community - this television flick contains an early performance by Brad Pitt
	Stop-Loss	2008	★★★★	Great acting and a heartfelt story in this tale of a soldier back from Iraq who is forced to return - click to read a full review

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	Storm [Sturm]	2009	★★★★	German / Danish / Dutch - a Bosnian war criminal is about to escape justice because the prime witness has committed suicide - the prosecutor must find a new witness and battle politics - intense
	Storm Warning	1951	★★★	Great melodrama about a murder by the Ku Klux Klan, the witness, and the upright prosecutor - well made for its time
	Stormforce [Windkracht 10: Koksijde Rescue]	2006	★★	Dutch - macho men and macho women in a rescue unit - not very entertaining
	Story of a Girl	2017	★★★	A small town girl is still suffering from an indiscretion three years later - she goes to work for an understanding man who helps her - nothing special but entertaining
	Story of Luke, The	2012	★★★★	Charming tale of an autistic man who must learn to survive the death of his grandparents who have been taking care of him
	Straight Men and the Men Who Love Them	2004	★★★	This gay-themed collection of short films has little to do with straight men so the title has nothing to do with the content which is good and bad but fairly watchable
	Straight Story, The	1999	★★★★	True story about a man who rides his lawnmower to visit his dying brother - great characters
	Straight-Jacket	2004	★★★	Farce about a 1950's Rock Hudson-like film star who comes to terms with being gay - actually not too bad - mainly due to good acting from many of the talented character actors in the film
	Strait Jacket	1964	★★★	Joan Crawford as axe murderer released from nut house - great classic horror
	Strange Bedfellows	2004	★★★★	Australian - another very entertaining quirky little film with lots of heart that the Australians do so well - this one about two old friends pretending to be gay to get a tax break
	Strange Fruit	2004	★★★	A gay African-American lawyer returns to his small hometown in the South to investigate the murder of a friend - poorly produced but mildly entertaining
	Strange Illusion	1945	★★★	Young man believes his future step-father is a murderer
	Strange Relations	2002	★★★★	A man who is dying of cancer finds that he is adopted - he seeks out his biological family for a possible bone marrow transplant - good characters
	Strange Vice of Mrs. Wardh, The [Strano vizio della Signora Wardh, Lo]	1971	★★★	Italian - thriller is a little over the top in today's standards but a pleasing return to the cheaply made movies of the 70's
	Stranger Among Us, A	1992	★★★★	Melanie Griffith as a tough cop who goes undercover amongst Hasidic Jews - entertaining
	Stranger by the Lake [L'inconnu du Lac]	2013	★★	French - bizarre tale about a man who has an affair with another man he knows has murdered another lover
	Stranger from Venus	1954	★★	The British version of <i>The Day the Earth Stood Still</i> that - interestingly - also stars Patricia Neal - doesn't really cut the mustard
	Stranger Than Fiction	2006	★★★★	Inventive telling of a man traveling through his rut in life who expands his horizons - great acting and production values - click to read a full review
	Stranger than Paradise	1984	★	Three losers on their way to Florida - dark and moody - loved by the critics - hated by me
	Stranger, The	1946	★★★★	A woman falls in love with a man she doesn't know is a former Nazi concentration camp director - very melodramatic, but great Orson Wells atmospheric direction and acting

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	Strangerland	2015	★	Australian - grim drama about a grim family in a grim place
	Strangers	2007	★★★★	Israeli - two young people - one from Israel and one from Palestine meet in Germany and fall in love - insightful look at how politics affect the lives of everyday people
	Strangers on a Train	1951	★★★★★	This is another great one from Hitchcock - who can forget that carousel crash - super bonus features on the DVD
	Strapped	2010	★★	An evening in the life of a male hooker - boring
	Straw Dogs	2011	★★	Couple finds violence in the backwoods of Mississippi - not as good as the original - probably because the genre is so overdone
	Strawberry & Chocolate	1993	★★★★★	Cuban - a gay man tries to seduce a straight boy - that leads to a loving, platonic relationship in Cuban politics
	Stray, The	2000	★	A taking in a stranger story done poorly
	Stray, The	2017	★★★	Faith-based film about a man whose work has caused him to neglect his family and how a stray dog helps in a change to the lives of all - pretty standard fare but still entertaining
	Strayed [Les Egares]	2004	★★★★	French - a mother and her two children who are running from the Nazi invasion of Paris meet an enigmatic young man in the French countryside - very unusual film with fascinating characters
	Street Cat Named Bob, A	2016	★★★★	Delightful film based upon fact about a down and out drug addict who finds salvation when he adopts a stray cat - very pleasing characters
	Street, The: Season 1	2006	★★★★	British television series about the lives of working class folk who live on one street in Manchester - sort of a <i>Desperate Housewives</i> meets <i>Jerry Springer</i> - excellent acting and above-average plot lines
	Strictly Ballroom	1992	★★★★	Great boy meets girl movie with super dancing
	Striking Distance	1993	★★★	Formulistic Bruce Willis cop action flick in which a serial killer is on the loose - lots of good action - entertaining
	String, The	2009	★★★	French - a gay son goes home to visit his mother after the death of his father and falls in love with the handyman - good acting but, as in many French films, some of the actions of the characters make little sense
	Strip, The	2008	★★★	Australian - one season cop television series that takes place on Australia's Gold Coast - good characters and crimes - entertaining but nothing special
	Stronger	2017	★★★★	Gritty and down to earth telling of the story of Jeff Bauman who lost both legs at the Boston Marathon bombing - great acting all around and a very good special feature on the DVD
	Struck by Lightning	2012	★★	The trials of a simpering, whining high school student saddled with an unstable mother - basically unpleasant
	Stuck in Love	2012	★★	Everyone in this film is oh, so intelligent and oh, so boring
	Stuck on You	2003	★★★	Story of conjoined twins is entertaining and not over-the-top - good story with good acting
	Studs	2006	★★★	Irish - mildly entertaining tale of a down-and-out soccer team whose season is saved by a new manager - too much soccer and not enough character
	Submarine	2010	★	Another one of those teenager staring into space, coming of age movies that has little to cheer

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	Substance of Fire, The	1996	★★★★	Excellent family drama about a domineering and distant father and his three adult children - great acting
	Suburbicon	2017	★★★★	A boy's life in the 1950's is effected by the murder of his mother and the violent activities of the community with the arrival of an African American family - sardonic and darkly humorous
	Such Good People	2014	★★	Silly comedy about a gay couple who finds a lot of money while house sitting - pretty much a waste of time
	Sudden Death	1995	★★★★	<i>Die Hard</i> at an ice hockey game starring Jean-Claude Van Damme - pretty good until the last fifth of the film - then it goes way too far with trumped up situations and special effects
	Suffragette	2015	★★★★	Well acted look at the lives of women working for rights in early Twentieth Century England
	Sugar	2004	★★	Gay coming of age tale has some insight but is just to absurd to be of any quality
	Sugar	2008	★★★★	Story of a young Dominican baseball player and his experiences in the United States - basically the story of all young Dominican baseball players - great extra features on the DVD
	Sully	2016	★★★★	Well acted and directed look at the man, the NTSB investigation, and the events that lead to the forced landing on the Hudson River by Captain Chesley Sullenberger in 2009
	Sultanes del Sur	2007	★★	Mexican - this crime caper starts out fairly well but gets bogged down in the middle - very good production values, however
	Sum of All Fears, The	2002	★★★★	Nuclear bomb in Baltimore - great action flick
	Sum of Us, The	1995	★★★★	Sentimental story of a gay man and his accepting father - a good tear jerker.
	Summer	2008	★★★★	Interesting character study of two men who have known each other all of their lives - one now dying and being taken care of by the other - great acting
	Summer '04 [Sommer '04 an der Schlei]	2006	★★	German - good acting but a totally disjointed story about an extramarital affair that leads to disaster - motives and actions of characters are beyond understanding
	Summer Hours [L'Heure d'été]	2008	★★★★	French - another one which shows just a slice of life of mildly interesting characters - no great revelations or conclusions - entertaining but that's about it
	Summer in February	2013	★★★★	A love triangle amongst artists in pre-WWI England - based upon actual events - interesting characters
	Summer in Genoa, A	2008	★★★★	The relationship between a father and his two daughters after the mother is killed in an accident - interesting characters but lacking some spark
	Summer of '42	1971	★★★★	Boy finds first love at the beach with older woman - still holds up after all these years
	Summer Place, A	1959	★★★★	Great melodrama for the age about the young love of a girl and boy and the problems of their parents - lots of "sex talk" for a film of its time - good performances from the major actors
	Summer Storm [Sommersturm]	2004	★★★★	German - fairly well-done story of a gay teen coming out at a camp for rowing teams - simple story but realistic characters
	Summer's Lease	1989	★★★★	Four part British television drama with realistic family relationships and interesting and quirky characters - all topped off with crime and mystery

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	Summoned	2013	★	Silly supernatural crime flick
	Sun Belt Express	2014	★★	A down on his luck teacher smuggles Mexicans in the trunk of his car - on his last trip, his daughter stows away - some entertaining moments, but the whole thing falls flat at the end
	Sun, The [Solntse]	2005	★★★	Russian - very slow moving and moody interpretation of the days of Emperor Hirohito at the end of the war showing his meetings with General Douglas MacArthur - too many little director quirks to make it more than three stars
	Sunday Bloody Sunday	1971	★★★★	A man and a woman both in love with a free spirit artist - great movie that still is entertaining
	Sunlight Jr.	2013	★	Dull and depressing movie about losers in Florida - a real bummer of a film
	Sunset Boulevard	1950	★★★★★	1950's - an "aging," once great movie star takes a young man as her lover - Gloria Swanson may "chew" the scenery, but she surely makes the movie a "must see" - it's also an interesting look at how society has changed its viewpoint of "older" women
	Sunset Song	2015	★★★	Somber and somewhat depressing look at a young woman in early 1900's Scotland and the life she is destined to lead - slow moving and atmospheric
	Sunshine	1999	★★★★★	Story of one Hungarian Jewish family over the course of three generations - visual splendor
	Sunshine Cleaning	2008	★★★★	A single mother is trying to make something of herself despite all the odds being against her - charming and interesting characters - great acting
	Sunshine State	2002	★★★★	Small town story with great characters and acting
	Super	2011	★★	Dumb comedy about a loser who tries to become a super hero - waste of time
	Super 8	2011	★★★	Early teens in the 1970's uncover a plot by the military to destroy an alien who just wants to return to its home planet - lots of holes in the plot but likeable characters
	Super Troopers	2002	★	Terrible "comedy"
	Superman Returns	2006	★★★	The latest in the Superman series is nothing special but is pleasing entertainment
	Supernova	2000	★★★	Watchable science fiction
	Surprise, Surprise	2009	★	A Hollywood star, his crippled lover, and the son he never knew - bad plot - bad acting
	Surrender Dorothy	1998	★★★	A brooding film about a dishwasher who uses a junkie's addiction to slowly force him into sexual servitude
	Surrender, Dorothy	2005	★★	Made for television movie about a mother and friends coming to accept the death of a young, free-spirited woman - a few good scenes, but overall a disappointment
	Surveillance	2007	★★★	The details of gruesome murders are revealed at a lonely sheriff's station by two FBI agents - strange but entertaining
	Surveillance 24/7	2007	★	Lame tale with lots of video antics about a man whose lover is murdered.
	Surviving Christmas	2004	★	Twist on the <i>Christmas Carol</i> theme is a complete disappointment and waste of talent
	Susan Slade	1961	★★★	High melodrama about what it was like for a "good girl" to become pregnant in the 1960's - has to be watched with tongue in cheek but still mildly entertaining
	Suspect	1987	★★★	Courtroom mystery starring Cher is watchable but you have to stretch your sense of reality in order to enjoy

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	Suspect Zero	2004	★	The search for a serial killer is outdone by silly camera tricks and "trips into the mind" of the protagonists - boring
	Suspects	2014	★★★★	British police procedural series with a realistic feel - supposedly much of the dialogue is improvised - good stories, realistic characters, and good acting
	Suspicion	2003	★★★	British mini-series about a wife who starts receiving e-mail from an unknown person claiming that her husband is having an affair - improbable storyline but good acting gives it its third star
	Suspicious of Mr. Whicher, The: Beyond the Pale	2014	★★★★	Whicher searches for an Indian man who threatened the son of a member of Parliament - many twists and turns concerning the children of the son - well done
	Suspicious of Mr. Whicher, The: The Murder at Road Hill House	2011	★★★★	First of a series of four made for television movies about the life of Scotland Yard Detective Inspector Jack Whicher who practiced in the mid 1800's - this one involves the true case of a young boy in a wealthy family who was murdered by his step-sister - excellent look at the times - good acting and production
	Suspicious of Mr. Whicher, The: The Murder in Angel Lane	2013	★★★	In the second in the series, Whicher - now a private investigator - tries to solve the murder of a young woman who has just had a child out of wedlock - solid acting and characters
	Suspicious of Mr. Whicher, The: The Ties That Bind	2014	★★★★	The last is probably the best with many dirty little secrets of Victorian England revealed along with Mr. Whicher's renewal of spirit
	Swades [We, the People]	2004	★★★★	Indian - A successful Indian man living in the United States returns home and rediscovers his cultural heritage - another entertaining Bollywood flick
	Swan Lake	1995	★★	Homo-erotic version of the ballet with the swans all being male and the prince a thinly disguised member of the British royal family - not that great
	Sway [Yureru]	2007	★★★★	Japanese - family, psychological, and courtroom drama all in one - very good - click to read a full review
	Swedish Auto	2006	★★★★	Very slow moving tale of a lonely young mechanic who is enthralled with a local musician and is also in a relationship with a girl from an extremely dysfunctional family - ending is a bit improbable but still entertaining with great acting
	Sweeney, The	2012	★	British cop thriller in which the cops aren't any better than the criminals - not my cup of tea
	Sweet Bean [An]	2015	★★★★	Japanese - two lonely people benefit from the friendship of a seventy-six year old woman who has been discriminated against all of her life because her infection of Hansen's Disease (aka: leprosy) - insightful
	Sweet Dreams	1985	★★★	Lackluster telling of the life of Patsy Cline focusing more on the relationship with her brutish husband than her musical career - great music though
	Sweet Hereafter	1997	★★★	Very watchable lawyer movie
	Sweet Home Alabama	2002	★★	Reese Witherspoon is now city girl who returns home to the country - should have been much better
	Sweet Land	2005	★★★★	Story of a post WWI German mail order bride who faces prejudice in the US Midwest - low keyed and charming

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	Sweet November	2001	☆☆	Keanu Reeves has one month with woman - changes his life - not very entertaining - great song
	Sweet Sixteen	2002	☆☆☆☆	Scottish - teen tries to provide a home for his mom when she gets out of prison - needed subtitles - slurred speech
	Sweetest Thing, The	2002	☆☆	Women on a wild, sexual route - fairly lame
	Swept from the Sea [Amy Foster]	1997	☆☆☆☆☆	Beautiful, highly romantic love story in which a girl who is an outcast in a small English village falls in love with a foreigner who survived a shipwreck
	Swept Under	2015	☆☆☆	Canadian - television movie about a crime scene cleaner who partners with a detective to find a serial killer with surprising results - nothing special but still a nice, watchable crime mystery
	Swimming Pool	2003	☆☆☆☆	Depressed author goes to France to work on her next book and meets uninhibited girl - moody and intriguing
	Swimming Upstream	2003	☆☆☆☆☆	Australian - true story of famous swimmer who overcame odds to become successful - superior acting in this film
	Swimsuit Issue, The [Allt Flyter]	2008	☆☆☆☆	Swedish - drama based upon the Swedish synchronized swimming team - interesting that the documentary about the team (<i>Men Who Swim</i>) was made after this film
	Swing Kids	1993	☆☆☆☆	An interesting look at young, jazz addicted kids in pre-WWII Germany
	Swing Shift	1984	☆☆☆☆	Not very deep but entertaining movie about women who go to work during WWII
	Swing Vote	2008	☆☆☆	Absurdity about a low-life who gets to choose the next president - a bit over the top but good acting
	Swinging with the Finkels	2011	☆☆☆	A young couple has marriage problems - fairly entertaining romantic comedy but with a weak ending
	Switch	1991	☆	A lady's man becomes a woman - really lame
	Switch, The	2010	☆☆☆	Mildly amusing romantic comedy in which a woman who thinks she has a child from a sperm donor actually has the child of her best friend - interesting characters
	Swoon	1992	☆☆☆☆	Interesting, very erotic look at the Leopold and Loeb case about the thrill killing of a young boy
	Sword of Honour	2001	☆☆☆☆	Story of a British soldier in WWII who becomes disillusioned by his experiences - entertaining combination of tragedy and the absurd humor of some situations
	Swordfish	2001	☆☆☆	John Travolta action - entertaining
	Sylvia	2003	☆☆☆☆	Engrossing telling of the romance between Plath and her husband leading to her suicide
	Syrian Bride, The	2004	☆☆☆☆	French, German, Israeli - heartwrenching story of a woman from the Golan Heights about to wed a Syrian which means she can never return to or visit her friends and family - beautifully told with wit and sadness - click to read the full review
	Syriana	2005	☆☆☆☆	Exceptionally good acting in this somewhat difficult to follow exposition of dirty dealings of governments and oil companies in the Middle East
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