

## **Film review sentence starters**

### **Hook:**

As the camera pans across the picturesque sights of... we see the beginning of ...'s story...

### **OR**

[Start with a quote from the film or about the film that shows the audience how you feel about it  
e.g.:

As Ricky Baker (Julian Dennison) menacingly takes a shot and screams "Sh\*t just got real... Leave my uncle alone homies!", we are once again taken into the hilarious world of Taika Waititi.]

### **Introduction:**

"..." directed by ... is a film notable for...

Nominated for ..., "..." is ...

### **Plot:**

Told through the eyes of ... this film tells the old/ classic/ all the common story of ...

An outstanding film, ... describes the experiences/ events of ...

Set in ... this is an interesting film that tells the story of...

### **Screenplay:**

At the centre of this story, ...

The character of ... is drawn as ... and is a ... portrayal of ...

A depth of character is ignored in favour of an action-packed ...

[Actor] plays an unforgettable/ believable... His/Her performance as a ... is so credible...

[Actor] gives a strong/ flawless performance as... which makes the idea of ...

[Title of film] is over-acted, causing the audience to devalue the theme/ idea of...

[Actor (Other films they were in)] is... in her/his role as...

## **Production Details**

[Director] has used cinematography... which makes the audience...

With the sounds of ... playing in the background [director] makes this film ...

When you look at the ... (costume) you see a real .... This makes me...

## **Theme**

The film explores the theme of...

Through the portrayal of the lives of ... the film reminds us...

... is a compelling study/ drama of...

... is a film that challenges us to ...

## **Conclusion**

This film will appeal to... as it...

Many people will feel that... by... is a sensitive drama about ...

Beautifully shot, superbly acted, ... is a great film for many reasons. Not the least of these is...