

Movie Logic

I Wanna Watch...

Introduction: Take a look at the intro paragraph and try to think of examples.

Certain elements of "movie logic" seem to be universal. Of course, all cars blow up as soon as they impact anything (anything at all). I mean, where would the fun be if not? All action movies need exploding cars. So, are you able to come up with any more of these situations which only happen in movies?

¹ blow up = explode ² come up with = think of an idea

Reading & Vocabulary: Read the examples of "movie logic", and take note of the phrasal verbs. Can you think of a movie with this logic?

1. A computer nerd will hack into any system in about six seconds just by typing really fast.
2. The baddies will always attack the hero one by one, so they can be taken out one by one.
3. Every window in Paris will always look onto the Eiffel Tower.
4. Drugs that knock you out will work immediately; you will then wake up without any side effects at a convenient time later in the movie.
5. Hard punches to the nose will also knock you out; the same wake-up logic will apply.
6. Fierce animals and dinosaurs will always let off a big roar before attacking to give people time to escape at the last second.
7. Drivers will keep on driving even though a fight is taking place on the roof of the car.
8. Every bomb will always have a big screen showing the exact seconds left until it goes off.
9. The lift doors will always shut just in time for the bad guy not to get in.
10. Knocking books out of someone's hand will always make them fall for you.

Speaking: Tell your anecdotes in the speaking activity.

Before starting this speaking activity, please check the questions. If are uncomfortable for you due to any difficult past experience or you do not want to answer them, please let your teacher know!

A Movie Lifestyle

Have you found yourself in any real-life movie scenes without knowing it? Take a look at the following questions and when you see one where you might have a story, tell the group about it!

Have you ever...

1. had a device or an account hacked into?
2. seen a situation like someone on a bicycle being taken out by lamppost?
3. stayed in a hotel room which looked onto a famous monument?
4. been knocked out (knocked unconscious)?
5. seen an animal let off a big roar?
6. decided to keep on driving even though your car made a strange noise?
7. been in a building when the fire alarm has gone off?
8. reached a lift just in time to get in, only to find you wish you'd waited?
9. knocked a pile of stuff out of someone's hand?
10. made someone fall for you by knocking a pile of stuff out of their hand?

