

Movie Horror

You are going to write an email to a movie theatre company that recounts a bad experience you had while watching a movie.

You have arrived at the movies with a friend to watch a new movie that has just come out. You buy your tickets and your snacks, and you go in to find your seats. The lights start to dim and things go bad. Perhaps you entered into the wrong movie theatre, or there was some sort of accident that happened in front or behind you. Perhaps there were people throwing popcorn, or there was a baby screaming throughout the whole movie. This recount should be written as an email to the movie theatre company.

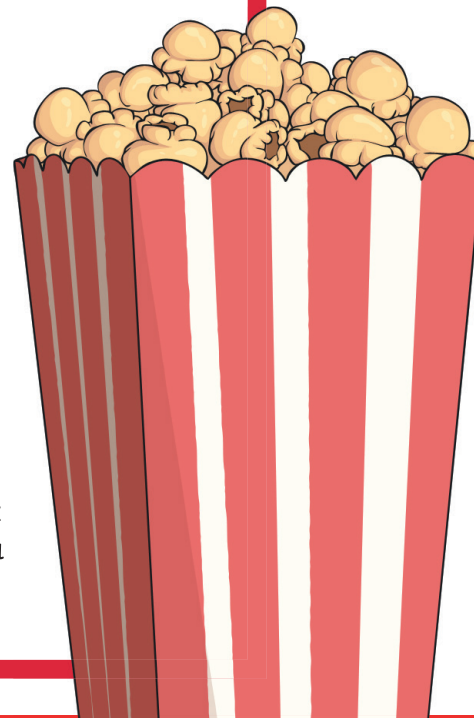
Remember that a recount is a detailed description of events that have occurred in the past, in a chronological order.

Before you begin your writing, think about the following structure:

- 1. Introduction:** Set the scene by including who, what, when, where and why. Who was involved? What happened? When did it occur? Where did it happen? What was the problem?
- 2. Body:** Think about the events that occurred during your time at the movies. What events unfolded? Remember that they need to be written in chronological order and in paragraphs.
- 3. Conclusion:** Provide the reader with an ending comment giving your thoughts and feelings about the experience you had at the movies.

Remember to:

- plan your writing;
- give your email an engaging heading or subject that reflects the events that occurred at the movies;
- make up a date and state who the email is from, and who it is addressed to;
- use paragraphs, and start a new paragraph for each part or event;
- use time sequence words and phrases to indicate when certain events occurred;
- write in the past tense;
- write in the first person;
- conclude your writing with an ending comment which reflects how you felt about the experience you had at the movies;
- pay attention to your spelling and punctuation.



Recount Writing Planner

Title: Movie Horror

Date: _____

To: _____

From: _____

Subject: _____

Opening Paragraph - Setting:

Who? _____

What? _____

When? _____

Where? _____

Why? _____

Body of Paragraphs:

Event 1: _____

Event 2: _____

Event 3: _____

Event 4: _____

Event 5: _____

Conclusion

Descriptive Language Ideas

Time Sequence Words and Phrases

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