

The Movies

The Ratings And You!

RATED G - General Audiences

Nothing that would offend parents if viewed by children with you or alone.

Example: Walt Disney's Old Yellow, Black Beauty

RATED PG - Parental Guidance Suggested.

May contain material parents consider inappropriate for young children. Limited to one or two swears, such as H or D. Or it could be rated PG to increase box office sales and have no swear words at all.

Example: Gold Finger, Batman, Indiana Jones

RATED PG 13 - Parents Strongly Cautioned.

Some material may be inappropriate for preteens. This means no children under 13 allowed to see this movie. Bad language, violence, sex. The D word and H word and F word.

Example: Rambo, Waiting to Exhale, The Apostle, Deep Impact, As Good As It Gets, Graded A and Rated PG13 for language and grief violence, 2 hours, 18 minutes of sin.

RATED R - Under 17 Not Permitted by Parent or Guardian.

Parents are urged to learn about the film before taking their children. Strong language, violence, and graphic sex.

Example: Bulworth - Graded B for its profanity. One hour worth of filth.

RATED NC-17 - No One Under 17 Admitted.

Replaces the X RATING which is used only for the very obscene flicks, porno store products. NC, means no children allowed.

Example: Off limits to Saints

RATED NR - Not Rated.

Foreign releases usually are NR. Also, the film could have been released early before a rating was given the film.

Example: Everest a scale of "Everest." This is a 44 minute documentary being shown at the Fernbank Museum of Natural History.

RATED V - Violence

Blood, Killing, Murders.

Example: Halloween I, II, III, IV, Amityville Horror. Boys in the Hood.

RATED X - X is not used any more only for porno movies.

Example: No example needed. Strictly off limits to Saints.

RATED CC - Closed Captioned.

Example: Titanic (maybe). Most movies rented from the video store are closed captioned.

Your television shows are rated the same way in your TV Guide and Newspaper.

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