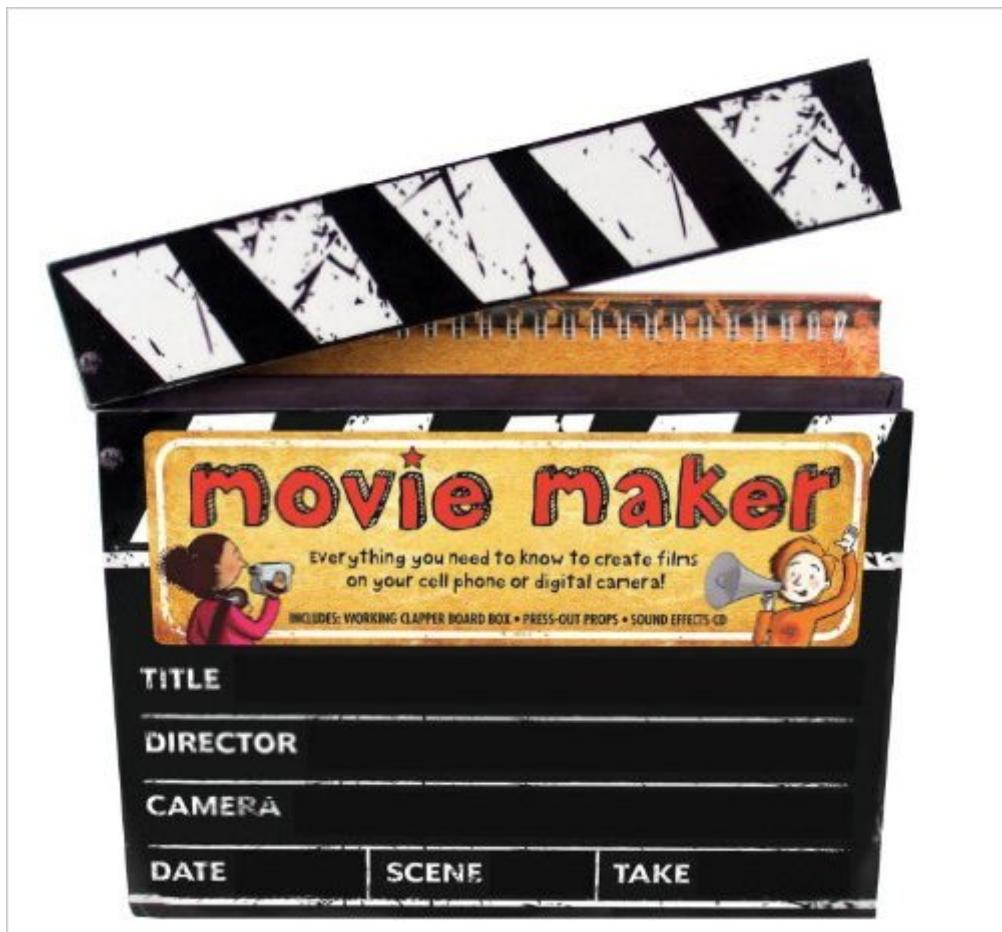


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Movie Maker: The Ultimate Guide To Making Films



Synopsis

Action! Open the working clapper board to find everything an aspiring filmmaker needs to make a cool movie using a digital camera or cell phone. Do you know the difference between a close-up and a mid shot? A tilt and a pan? What does a camera's point of view have to do with telling a story? From gathering simple equipment to outlining a script, from choosing a location to mastering the art of lighting and directing with finesse, MOVIE MAKER offers expert guidance (and top tips from professionals) to help kids create short dramas, comedies, documentaries, and even animations. Its special features include:
* A working clapper-board/chalkboard
* A 48-page, illustrated director's handbook
* A fill-in storyboard
* A CD of sound effects
* Costuming and props such as push-out mustaches and tattoo stickers
* Animation aids, including a push-out studio set and characters
* Premiere night essentials: push-out tickets, a poster template, and more!

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Customer Reviews

Designed for elementary-aged children, the MOVIE MAKER includes everything, minus a camera and a computer, that a young filmmaker needs to make a movie. There's a 48-page director's handbook that goes through a step by step process from preproduction to the actual screening of the finished movie. The book explains all the basic terms and techniques of filmmaking from "location" to "narrative tension" and from "tilt" to "pan". The book also has sections specifically

dealing with fiction, documentary, and animation. Besides the director's handbook, MOVIE MAKER also includes a CD with 99 sound effects; several sheets of push-out costumes and props, e.g. fake watches and mustaches; tattoo stickers; a storyboard; a build-it-yourself push-out robot for a stop-motion movie; stickers for the director's chair; stars for the actors' dressing rooms; and tickets for the premiere of the movie. In addition, the front of the box that the kit comes in is a working clapper-board that (as long as chalk is used) can be used over and over. This is a great kit for any child who has an interest in movies. As long as they have access to a camera of some sort and a computer for editing, they have all the basics they need to make their own movies. I'd recommend have an adult "on set" as a production advisor who could also be the "executive producer" and oversee the editing of the movie.

My 6 and 9 year old grandsons are both very imaginative and creative. At Christmas, the "Movie Maker" was a real hit with the 9 year old. When he was finished playing with the new toys a few days later, he sat down by himself and read the guide. Before long, he had his younger brother featured in a vampire movie. Grammy (that's me) was the creepy shadow and also provided some scary noises for his movie. He was making a movie on and off for several days when I visited. And I know he has made more than one movie, like one about General MacArthur (since he had done a book report on him. Personally, as a grandparent, I love to give this type of gift.

My son has wanted to be a movie director for many years now. He will be 11 in April. He loves this! I thought he would just like it. But, that is an understatement. The clapboard is the box that holds everything but it is really sturdy. It has tabbed folders to keep things organized. The handbook is very informative. This is not just a little play toy for a child. It is a great tool for the upper elementary age child who seriously wants to make movies. We also bought him a very inexpensive digital video camcorder for Christmas and an SD card. He already knows how to edit movies on the computer because we let him use our video camcorder on our camera before getting him his own. Make sure that if you buy this for your child that he or she has access to a computer to edit his movies and a digital video camcorder because this is not for the child who just wants to pretend. But, since it is for a child and not more professional equipment, the props are a bit cheesy.

I use this to teach movie making to my group of kids. They love it and the cd of sound effects was very handy. Great purchase!

This was a gift for my nephew for his 6th birthday. He dreams of making movies one day. This by far stole the show. He got so many amazing gifts, but this was his favorite, all he talked about for weeks! It really does have a lot of cute stuff in it!

A present for my son, he loves it and has started drawing storyboards for his film. Great find and am sure he will learn lots from it.

My 11 year old brother LOVES movies and was constantly asking me how they made them. This book describes in just enough detail each step of the movie making process and comes with fun extras to help you make one! He absolutely loved the book!

Great Gift for the Tween that loves making Movies ! Loved this Gift box ! Bought it for My Grand daughter ! I'm so excited to gift it to her ! Great quality !

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