

Teaching **English**

1. Read the film review. Does the writer answer all these questions? Check and tick (✓)

- 1. What is the title of the film?
- 2. What genre is it?
- 3. What is it about?
- 4. Is it based on a book?
- 5. Where is the film set?
- 6. When is the film set?

- 7. Who stars in the film?
- 8. Who plays the main role(s)?
- 9. Who is your favourite character in the film? (Why?)
- 10. What kind of person would like this film?

Film review

The Theory of Everything Biographical drama, 2014

The Theory of Everything is **about** the scientist Stephen Hawking. The film is **based on** a book, 'Travelling to Infinity: My Life with Stephen' by his wife, Jane Wilde Hawking. The film is **set in** England and starts in the early 1960s. It **tells the story of** Hawking's relationship with Jane, the diagnosis of his motor neuron disease and his success as a physicist.

I love the acting in this film. Eddie Redmayne stars as Hawking and Felicity Jones plays the role of Jane. My favourite character is Stephen Hawking because he is very clever and brave.

I think this is an ideal film for people who like true stories. It is a bit sad at times but the story is very interesting and there is a lot of action. I give The Theory of Everything

****. Go and watch it soon!

****Fantastic!

****Really good!

*** OK

⋆⋆ Bad

★ Terrible!

2. Follow the steps to write your own film review.

- 1. Think of a film you have watched.
- 2. Make notes for each of the questions in Activity 1.
- 3. Write your review using the your notes and the model text. Use some of the words and phrases **in bold**. Write between 100 and 150 words.