

# ENG 3UI Theme Study/Companion Piece Assignment

## THEME

## MOVIE TITLES

Abuse

Mystic River  
Precious  
This Boy's Life  
Good Will Hunting  
Pan's Labyrinth  
Carrie  
Sucker Punch  
Boyhood

Acceptance

Pride  
Save the Last Dance  
The Curious Case of Benjamin Button  
Crash  
Hope Floats  
Gabrielle (French-subtitled)  
Sarah's Key  
Edward Scissorhands  
A Beautiful Mind  
Philadelphia  
Chocolat  
Mean Girls  
The DUFF  
North Country  
Breakfast Club

Adapting to Change

The Pursuit of Happyness  
Hope Floats  
The Karate Kid  
Wild  
Slumdog Millionaire  
Places in the Heart  
St. Vincent  
Because of Winn-Dixie  
Manchester by the Sea  
Me Before You

Ambition

Chicago  
Gattaca  
Moneyball  
The Devil's Advocate  
The Master  
Scarface  
The Godfather  
Good Fellas  
Birdman  
Fracture  
To Die For  
The Social Network  
The Great Gatsby  
Up in the Air  
Whiplash  
Legally Blonde  
Jurassic Park  
Chronicle  
Black Swan  
Blood Diamond  
La La Land  
Joy

Atonement &  
Redemption &  
Forgiveness

The Color Purple  
Atonement  
Ordinary People  
Steel Magnolias  
Hunger Games  
Joy Luck Club  
Gran Torino  
Rain Man  
Dead Man Walking  
Crazy Heart  
Cinderella Man  
Shawshank Redemption  
Seven Pounds  
The Hurricane  
Crash  
Philomena  
True Grit

	<p>The Hurt Locker  Sarah's Key  Running on Empty</p>
Betrayal	<p>The Departed  Ides of March  Donnie Brasco  The Godfather II  The Count of Monte Cristo  Reservoir Dogs  L.A. Confidential  Payback  Unfaithful  The Kids are Alright  American Hustle  Cruel Intentions  Antitrust  Wanted  Atonement  Kill Bill Volume 1</p>
Capitalism & Entrepreneurship	<p>The Company Men  American Gangster  There Will be Blood  Glengarry Glen Ross  The Insider  Michael Clayton  Wall Street  The Wolf of Wall Street  War Dogs</p>
Challenging Established Beliefs	<p>Hairspray  Bend it Like Beckham  Breakaway  Pride  Mississippi Burning  The Chosen  Contact  Bang Bang, You're Dead  Chocolat  The Theory of Everything</p>

Whale Rider  
Salmon Fishing in the Yemen  
A.I.: Artificial Intelligence  
The Giver  
Arrival  
BFG

Chance  
Just My Luck  
Bruce Almighty  
Sliding Doors  
Serendipity  
The Matrix  
Run Lola Run  
Rounders  
Casino  
Owning Mahowny  
Casino Royale  
21  
The Gambler  
Ocean's Eleven  
Proof

Conformity  
Revolutionary Road  
Antz  
The Truman Show  
Pleasantville  
Happy Feet  
Swing Kids  
1984  
Dead Poet's Society  
Gattaca  
Equilibrium  
V for Vendetta  
The Giver  
Moonlight

Coping &  
Perseverance  
Pursuit of Happyness  
I Am Legend  
P.S. I Love You  
A Beautiful Life

In Her Shoes  
Angela's Ashes  
Places in the Heart  
Beasts of the Southern Wild  
We Are Marshall  
Things We Lost in the Fire

Courage/Hope

Lord of the Rings  
American History X  
The Truman Show  
Courage Under Fire  
Glory  
Gandhi  
The Power of One  
The Soloist  
The Hurricane  
Defiance  
Gravity  
World Trade Center  
127 Hours  
The Theory of Everything  
Schindler's List  
A Mighty Heart  
The Impossible  
Million Dollar Baby  
Selma  
Sully: A Miracle on the Hudson  
Hidden Figures

Cultural Arrogance

Apocalypse Now  
The Eagle  
Gladiator  
Water  
Slumdog Millionaire  
City of Joy  
Instinct  
Avatar

Deception  
& Deceit

The Usual Suspects  
True Lies  
Vertigo

The Ides of March  
Fracture  
Rogue One  
Allied

Defiance

Divergent  
The Hunger Games  
The Breakfast Club  
Brave  
Escape From Sobibor  
Unbroken  
Easy A

Destiny  
(Finding Purpose/  
Spiritual Journey)

The Butterfly Effect  
Dragonfly  
Serendipity  
Crouching Tiger, Hidden Dragon  
The Matrix  
The Hereafter  
Virgin Suicides  
The Third Miracle  
The Curious Case of Benjamin Button  
Family Man  
Elysium  
Snowpiercer  
The Mothman Prophecies  
August Rush  
Lady in the Water  
The Lake House  
Donnie Darko  
Field of Dreams  
Silver Linings Playbook  
The Time-Traveler's Wife  
The Golden Compass  
The Last Airbender  
Moana  
Captain Fantastic  
Sing

Destruction/War

Born on the Fourth of July

(Effect on Individual)

- The Pianist
- Saving Private Ryan
- Fury
- Brothers
- Platoon
- Good Morning Vietnam
- American Sniper
- Lone Survivor
- Hacksaw Ridge

Determination

- October Sky
- Saving Private Ryan
- Field of Dreams
- The King's Speech
- Milk
- Unbroken
- 127 Hours
- Captain Phillips
- The Pianist
- Apollo 13
- Zero Dark Thirty
- Cinderella Man
- Maze Runner
- Woman in Gold
- Hidden Figures

Discrimination

- Glory
- Philadelphia
- Mississippi Burning
- Selma
- Fruitvale Station
- District 9
- The Help

Dishonesty

- The Talented Mr. Ripley
- Changeling
- Albert Nobbs

	Flight
Duality of Person	Primal Fear Spiderman Fight Club Secret Window Albert Nobbs Doctor Strange Remember Batman Secret Life of Walter Mitty
Dysfunctional Family	The Family Stone The Winter's Bone Fences Moonlight
Empowerment	Erin Brockovich Coach Carter Finding Forrester Rocky Creed Easy A
Evil	Seven The Omen Silence of the Lamb/Hannibal/Red Dragon The Conjuring The Believer Don't Breathe The Conjuring 2
Pressure From Expectations	Pride and Prejudice Bend it Like Beckham Joyeux Noel



Whiplash

Family  
Relationships

What's Eating Gilbert Grape  
Away From Her  
American Beauty  
A River Runs Through It  
Big Fish  
Garden State  
The Kids are Alright  
People Like Us  
Little Miss Sunshine  
Captain Fantastic  
Lion  
The Jungle Book

Forbidden Love

Moulin Rouge  
Brokeback Mountain  
Fried Green Tomatoes  
The Piano  
Endless Love  
Bridges of Madison County  
Far From Heaven  
Loving

Freedom (Desire For...)

Shawshank Redemption  
The Patriot  
Les Miserables  
12 Years A Slave  
Sing

Friendship

Thelma and Louise  
Finding Forrester  
End of Watch  
Miss You Already  
The Lady in the Van

Growing Up/  
Coming of Age

Stand By Me  
Mud  
Billy Elliot  
Almost Famous  
Secret Life of Bees  
Juno  
Sandlot  
The Perks of Being a Wallflower  
The Spectacular Now  
The Edge of Seventeen

Grief/Loss

Extremely Loud and Incredibly Close  
Super 8  
Things We Lost in the Fire  
The Lovely Bones  
People Like Us  
Truly, Madly, Deeply  
Raise Your Voice  
Book of Eli  
The Fault in Our Stars  
Me, Earl and the Dying Girl  
Rabbit Hole  
Cake  
Manchester by the Sea  
A Monster Calls

Guilt

The Music Box  
Girl on the Train

Journeys/Loss of  
Innocence

Cider House Rules  
Angela's Ashes  
Stand By Me  
Empire of the Sun  
Monsieur Lazhar  
Still Alice  
Forrest Gump  
One Week  
Running on Empty  
I Am David  
Nebraska  
Interstellar  
Super 8

Miss Peregrine's Home for Peculiar Children

Loyalty

Four Feathers  
Annapolis  
The Three Musketeers  
The Last of the Mohicans  
The Fighter  
The Hurt Locker  
Avatar  
Crimson Tide  
Gladiator  
Big Eyes  
47 Ronin  
Salt  
Dawn of the Planet of the Apes  
Taps  
The Jungle Book  
Captain America: Civil War  
Rogue One  
Million Dollar Baby

Manipulation

Swing Kids  
Snowpiercer  
Inception  
The Manchurian Candidate  
Capote  
The Insider  
Elysium  
Get Out

Morality/  
Moral Choices

John Q  
Sophie's Choice  
Doubt  
Mystic River  
Gone, Baby Gone  
Ender's Game  
Hacksaw Ridge  
Million Dollar Baby  
Me Before You

Nature (Environment's  
Impact on Events)

Cast Away  
Dances With Wolves

Into the Wild  
The Maze Runner  
Buried  
The Road  
All is Lost  
127 Hours  
Alive  
Gravity  
Rescue Dawn  
The Descent  
Captain Phillips  
Jaws  
Life of Pi  
The Grey  
The Perfect Storm  
Interstellar  
The Martian  
The Shallows  
Everest

New Reality  
(Perception)

Pleasantville  
Truman Show  
Matrix  
Inception  
Shutter Island  
The Sixth Sense  
Big Fish  
The Illusionist  
Blindness

Not Belonging

Muriel's Wedding  
Save the Last Dance  
The Iron Giant  
Suicide Squad

Obsession

American Beauty

Oppression

The Giver

	Equilibrium The Hunger Games
Overcoming Obstacles	A Beautiful Mind Radio I Am Sam The Blind Side Million Dollar Baby Awakenings Shine My Left Foot Freedom Writers Brooklyn
Personal Revelation/	Seven Years in Tibet Eat, Pray, Love Wild Into the Wild One Week Moana
Post-Apocalyptic Survival	The Road The Book of Eli Mad Max Warm Bodies Planet of the Apes
Power/Authority	Erin Brockovich Gandhi Selma The Godfather Network One Flew Over the Cuckoo's Nest The Village Instinct Chronicle

Protection  
of Family

Jakob the Liar  
Life is Beautiful  
Panic Room

Racism/Prejudice/  
Discrimination

Power of One  
Men of Honor  
Glory  
Remember the Titans  
To Kill a Mockingbird  
Snow Falling on Cedars  
Crash  
The Help

Revenge

Sleepers  
Payback  
Count of Monte Cristo  
Mission Impossible II  
Mask of Zorro  
Changing Lanes  
Gladiator

Sacrifice

Joy Luck Club  
Steel Magnolias  
Glory  
Armageddon  
The Green Mile  
Atonement  
The Hunger Games  
Wendy and Lucy  
End of Watch

Search for Identity

Dead Poet's Society  
Good Will Hunting  
Finding Neverland  
Cider House Rules  
Simon Birch  
Brokeback Mountain  
The Colour Purple  
October Sky  
Tarzan

Brooklyn

Self-Discovery/  
Self-Realization

The Secret Life of Walter Mitty  
It's Kind of a Funny Story  
Eat, Pray, Love  
Seven Pounds  
Bridget Jones' Diary  
The Breakfast Club  
Contact  
Whiplash  
One Week  
Her  
Raise Your Voice  
Beginnings  
Moana  
Kubo and the Two Strings  
Me Before You

Self-Worth

Freedom Writers  
Dead Poet's Society  
Forrest Gump  
Ellen Foster  
Face the Giants  
The Help  
Stand and Deliver  
Akeelah and the Bee  
Lean on Me  
Coach Carter  
Whiplash  
The DUFF

Sense of "Family"

Paddington  
Winter's Bone  
The Pacifier  
While You Were Sleeping  
The Patriot  
Little Women  
The Fighter  
Warrior  
The Jungle Book  
Lion

Suicide	<p>Dead Poet's Society  Perks of Being a Wallflower  The Virgin Suicides  Girl, Interrupted  What Dreams May Come</p>
Survival	<p>Alive  Cast Away  Deep Impact  The Abyss  Deepwater Horizon  The River Wild  Into the Wild  Defiance  Boy in the Striped Pajamas  I Am Legend  Life of Pi  The Book of Eli  10 Cloverfield Lane  Interstellar  The Martian  Sully: Miracle on the Hudson</p>
Trapped	<p>Inception  Blood Diamond  Romeo and Juliet  The Shawshank Redemption</p>
Trust	<p>The Family Stone  The Help</p>
War/Violence	<p>All Quiet on the Western Front  Platoon  Paths of Glory  The Thin Red Line  Courage Under Fire  The Hurt Locker  Three Kings  Full Metal Jacket  Zero Dark Thirty  Brothers  Fury</p>



Hacksaw Ridge

GREAT DOCUMENTARIES TO CONSIDER

The Cheshire Murders

Going Clear

The Imposter

Prom Night in Mississippi

American Teen

The Founder

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