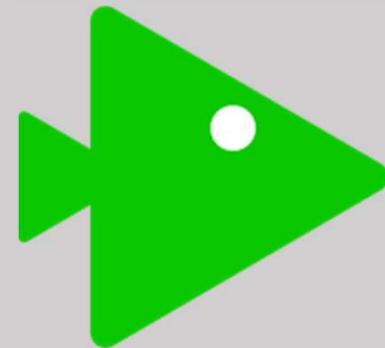
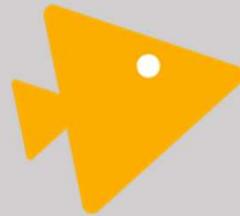
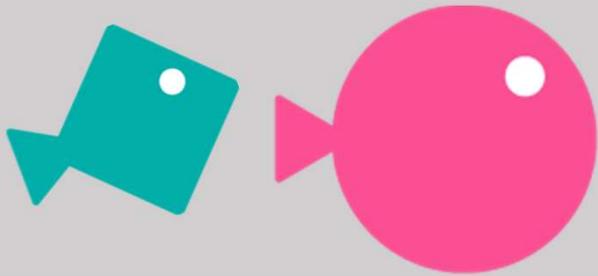
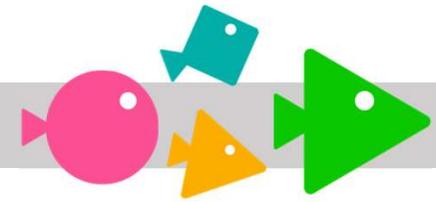
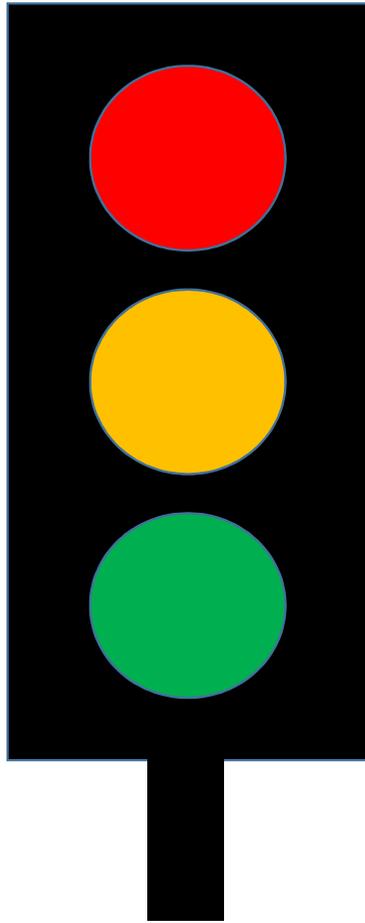
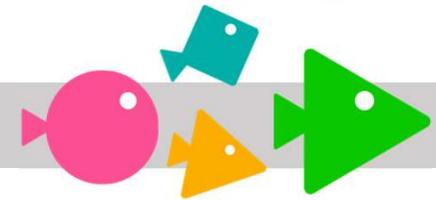


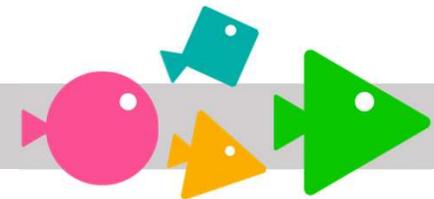
Lesson 1: What can we watch?

bbfc View what's
right for you











For everyone (universal)
- should be suitable for
children aged four years
and over



For most people (but
some scenes might not
be suitable for younger
children and might be a
bit upsetting for some
children) - parents and
carers should check the
film first)



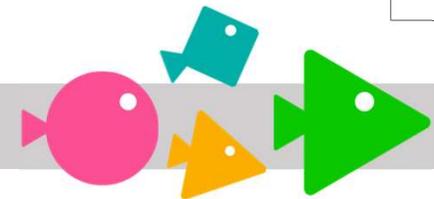
For 12 year olds and over
Under 12s can watch if
accompanied by an adult
at the cinema



For 15 year olds and over



For adults only

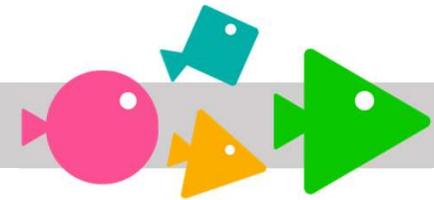


The role of the BBFC

Lots of children and families love watching films and videos. But some films and videos have things in them that can make children feel worried, confused or uncomfortable. The **British Board of Film Classification** (BBFC) wants children to feel happy when they watch a film or video, so check what is in them first.



The BBFC was set up in 1912 and has been providing age ratings for films for over 100 years. Part of the role of the BBFC is to listen to what children, parents, carers and teachers think, and look at how families really decide what to watch. Research projects with children and parents are carried out across the country and the information gathered is used to make sure the advice is accurate.

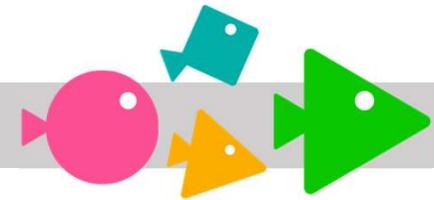
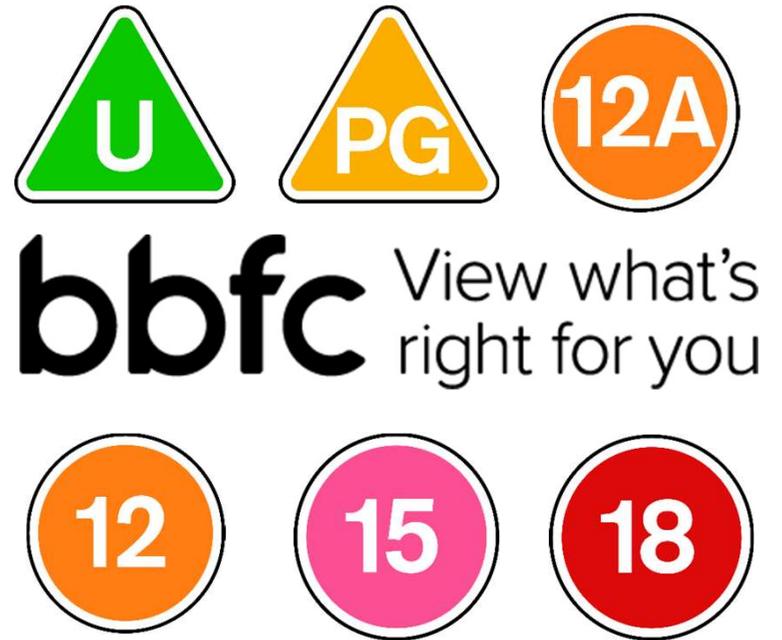


The BBFC age ratings

The BBFC uses age ratings and symbols and provides explanations about films, videos, and some films and series viewed online.

This helps children and their parents decide what to watch, or what might not be suitable.

For the same reason, the BBFC also helps to block some things online using parental controls, and make sure that some companies stop children under 18 using their websites.



Joe is 12 and is looking for a film to watch with his younger brother, Fin. Fin is four years old.

Sabine is 8 years old. She likes stories about animals and prefers stories that have happy endings.

Hayley is 11. She likes watching scary films with her family. She loves it when they make her jump and everybody screams.

Mr Harvey is choosing a film for his class of 7-8 year olds to watch at the end of term.

Alex and Sam's mum does not let them watch violent films or films with bad language. Alex is 13 and Sam is 9 years old.

