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☐ THE LISTENING / READING SCRIPT

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Psycho was initially criticized for making other filmmakers more willing to show gore and initially received mixed reviews. However, outstanding box office sales led to it getting four Academy Award nominations. Psycho is now considered one of Hitchcock's best films and is highly praised as a work of cinematic art by international critics. It is often ranked among the greatest films of all time and is famous for bringing in a new level of acceptable violence and sexuality in films. The public loved the film, with lines stretching outside of theatres as people had to wait for the next showing. It broke box-office records in Japan, China and the rest of Asia, France, Britain and South America.

Source: http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Psycho_%28film%29

☐ TRAILER AND POSTER

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POSTER

1. SIX WORDS: Look at the poster and write down six words (more if you like) that you think of as you look at it. Share the words with your partner(s). Why did you choose them?

You can find posters for this movie at www.imbd.com - just type the name of the movie in the search field.

- **2. STORY:** Talk about what you think the story of the movie is the start, beginning, end, etc. Change partners and share stories.
- **3. CREDITS:** Look at the credits on the poster (the actors, director, producer...) and talk about them with your partner(s).
- **4. MUST-SEE:** Talk with your partner(s) about whether the poster and movie title are good and make you want to see the movie.
- **5. STARRING YOU:** Imagine you are one of the stars of the movie. Talk about your role with your movie star partner(s).

TRAILER

1. RETELL: Watch the trailer and retell what you saw to your partner(s).

You can watch a trailer at http://www.youtube.com

- **2. CHUNKS:** Watch 10-to-15 second chunks of the trailer and retell what you saw to your partner(s).
- **3. QUIZ:** Watch the trailer and write down some quiz questions for your partner(s). Watch a second time to find the answers to the questions.
- **4. VOCABULARY:** Make a note of words in the trailer that you see or hear. Talk about them with your partner(s).
- **5. GOOD / BAD:** Watch the trailer and write down why you think the film might be good or bad. Share your ideas with your partner(s).

■ MATCHING

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SYNONYM MATCH

- 1. inspired
- 2 encounter
- 3. disturbed
- 4. aftermath
- 5. described
- 6. initially
- 7. gore
- 8. ranked
- 9. showing
- 10. lines
- PHRASE MATCH
- 1. based on the 1959 novel
- 2 murderer and
- 3. a secluded
- 4. the aftermath
- 5. one of the most
- 6. willing to show
- 7. a work of
- 8. a new level
- 9. people had to wait
- 10. It broke box-office

- a. at first
- b. reported
- c. queues
- d. influenced
- e. meeting
- f. blood and guts
- g. consequences
- h. performance
- i. unbalanced
- j. rated
- a. of acceptable violence
- b. of their meeting
- c. records in Japan
- d. chilling in movie history
- e. for the next showing
- f. grave robber
- g. of the same name
- h. motel
- i. cinematic art
- j. gore

■ LISTENING / READING GAP FILL

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directed by Alfred Hitchcock. It stars Antho	ny Perkins and Janet
Leigh. The screenplay, by Joseph Stefano,	is based on the 1959
novel (2) by Robert	Bloch. The novel was
(3) crimes of Wise	consin murderer and
grave robber Ed Gein, who lived just 40 n	niles from Bloch. The
film (4) between	a secretary, Marion
Crane (Leigh), who goes to a secluded mote	l after stealing money
from her employer, and the (5)	and
manager, Norman Bates (Perkins), and th	e aftermath of their
meeting. The movie is famous for the sho	ower scene, which is
described as one of (6)	movie history.
Psycho was (7) mal	king other filmmakers
more willing to show gore and initially rec	eived mixed reviews.
However, (8) sales	led to it getting four
Academy Award nominations. Psycho is no	w considered one of
Hitchcock's best films and is highly (9) $_$	
cinematic art by international critics. It is oft	en ranked among the
greatest films of (10)	for bringing in a
new level of acceptable violence and sexuali	ty in films. The public
loved the film (11)	
loved the film, (11)	_ outside of theatres
as people had to wait (12)	
	It broke box-

CORRECT THE SPELLING

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Paragraph 1

- 1. a 1960 American esepussn and horror film
- 2. loosely <u>srdienip</u> by the crimes of [a] Wisconsin murderer
- 3. The film depicts the <u>nnectuero</u>
- 4. the motel's sedruidbt owner
- 5. the <u>matratehf</u> of their meeting
- 6. the most <u>ignhllci</u> in movie history

Paragraph 2

- 7. more nlwiigl to show gore
- 8. <u>stantigdonu</u> box office sales
- 9. highly praised as a work of <u>aientmicc</u> art
- 10. a new level of aptabecice violence
- 11. lines sehcirtngt outside of theatres
- 12. wait for the next sowighn

INSERT THE VOWELS (a,e,i,o,u)

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nd J_n_t L__gh. Th_ scr__npl_y, by J_s_ph St_f_n_,
_s b_s_d _n th_ 1959 n_v_l _f th_ s_m_ n_m_ by
R_b_rt Bl_ch. Th_ n_v_l w_s l__s_ly _nsp_r_d by th_
cr_m_s _f W_sc_ns_n m_rd_r_r _nd gr_v_ r_bb_r _d
G__n, wh_ l_v_d j_st 40 m_ls fr_m Bl_ch. Th_ f_lm
d_p_cts th_ _nc__nt_r b_tw__n _ s_cr_t_ry, M_r_n
Cr_n_ (L__gh), wh_ g__s t_ _ s_cl_d_d m_t_l _ft_r
st__l_ng m_n_y fr_m h_r _mpl_y_r, _nd th_ m_t_l's
d_st_rb_d _wn_r _nd m_n_g_r, N_rm_n B_t_s
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r_c__v_d m_x_d r_v_ws. H_w_v_r, __tst_nd_ng b_x
_ff_c_ s_l_s l_d t_ _t g_tt_ng f__r _c_d_my _w_rd
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v__l_nc_ _nd s_x__l_ty _n f_lms. Th_ p_bl_c l_v_d th_
f_lm, w_th l_n_s str_tch_ng _ts_d _f th__tr_s _s
p__pl_ h_d t_ w__t f_r th_ n_xt sh_w_ng. _t br_k_
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_s__, Fr_nc_, Br_t_n_nd S__th_m_r_c_.

MARK THE SPACES

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PUNCTUATE & PUT CAPITALS IN THE TEXT

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DISCUSSION (Write your own questions) STUDENT A's QUESTIONS (Do not show these to student B)

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Write five GOOD questions about Psycho in the table. Do this in pairs. Each student must write the questions on his / her own paper.

When you have finished, interview other students. Write down their answers.

	STUDENT 1	STUDENT 2	STUDENT 3
Q.1.			
Q.2.			
Q.3.			
Q.4.			
Q.5.			

- Now return to your original partner and share and talk about what you found out. Change partners often.
- Make mini-presentations to other groups on your findings.



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HOMEWORK

- **1. VOCABULARY EXTENSION:** Choose several of the words from the text. Use a dictionary or Google's search field (or another search engine) to build up more associations / collocations of each word.
- **2. INTERNET INFO:** Search the Internet and find more information about "Psycho". Talk about what you discover with your partner(s) in the next lesson.
- **3. MAGAZINE ARTICLE:** Write a magazine article about "Psycho". What are (did) critics and moviegoers saying (say) about it? How good were the actors' performances? What was good and bad about the movie? Read what you wrote to your classmates in the next lesson. Give each other feedback on your articles.
- **4. "PSYCHO" POSTER:** Make a poster about "Psycho". Make sure you put tag lines, audience and critics' reviews, why people should see it, etc. Show it to your classmates in the next lesson. Give each other feedback on your posters.
- **5. MY PREQUEL / SEQUEL:** Make your own prequel or sequel for "Psycho". Make sure there is a good mix of things to do. Find some good online activities. Read what you wrote to your classmates in the next lesson. Give each other feedback.
- **6. CHARACTER STORY:** Choose one of the characters from the movie. Imagine you are that character. Write your story about what you did in the movie. Read what you wrote to your classmates in the next lesson. Give each other feedback.
- **7. ONLINE SHARING:** Use your blog, wiki, Facebook page, Twitter stream, or any other social media tool to get opinions on "Psycho". Share your findings with the class.

■ ANSWERS

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OTHER ACTIVITIES

Please check for yourself by looking at the movie review on page 2. (It's good for your English ;-)

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