

Second Term Exam

I. Part One: Reading

(15pts)

A. Comprehension

(7pts)

Read the text carefully then do following activities.

3 Reasons Why Science Fiction is Film's Greatest Genre

Of the many dozens of genres and subgenres in film, science fiction has always been my favorite, ever since I was a boy. To me, science fiction has to be the most imaginative genre. Here are 3 reasons, and there are plenty more, for not only why I love the science fiction genre but why I feel that it's film's best genre.

Science fiction has created societies and political systems as a reflection of us. Often times in science fiction, filmmakers are keen to use the future in order to examine issues that we're going through today. Science-fiction filmmakers create idealistic, peaceful societies or dystopian, tyrannical states as a way to help us deal with our problems right now.

Science fiction has inspired current technology. From Star Trek's communicator inspiring the first cell phones, to *Minority Report* inspiring gesture-based user interfaces, to Total Recall inspiring driverless cars, we have seen many examples of future technologies in past science-fiction films come to life. Even *Star Wars*, a mostly fantasy science-fiction saga, has inspired some of today's most innovative technological advancements.

Science fiction can talk about the present without ever being in the present. Science-fiction films have spoken about racism, slavery, colonialism, public health issues, climate change, tyranny, and the effects of war. One of the beauties about science-fiction cinema is that it gives an outlet for filmmakers to talk about sensitive subjects in a way that's indirect.

Overall, science fiction is not only my favorite film genre, but it's the most subversive, most creative, and the most imaginative one due to the endless possibilities the genre brings.

Adapted from: <https://movies4maniacs.liberty.me/3-reasons-why-science-fiction-is-films-greatest-genre/>

1. Write the letter that corresponds to the right answer.

- a. According to the writer, sci-fi films are his.....genre
 - a. preferred.
 - b. undesired.
 - c. unwanted.
- b. Science fiction has created societies and political systems as a reflection of us for
 - a. better life only
 - b. worse life only
 - c. better and worse life
- c. Science fiction has..... today's innovation and technology.
 - a. inspired
 - b. discouraged
 - c. depressed

2. In which paragraph is it mentioned that "There are many examples of fictional technologies that have later emerged in the real world"?

3. Answer the following questions according to the text.

- a. Why filmmakers are excited to use the future?
- b. Science fiction has inspired current technology, list three names of movies with their technology.
- c. What is beauty in Science fiction cinema?

4. Who or what do the underlined words refer to in the text?

Me (§1) = Our (§2) = It (§4) =

B. Text Exploration

(8pts)

1. Match the following words with the corresponding definitions.

Words	Definitions
1. Filmmakers	a. A story or type of literature that describes situations that are very different from real life, usually involving magic.
2. Fantasy	b. Using, showing, or relating to the unfair and cruel use of power over other people in country, group,..etc.
3. tyrannical	c. Someone who is in charge of making films and movies.

2. Complete the chart as shown in the example.

	Verbs	Nouns	Adjectives
Eg	To imagine	Imaginary	Imaginative
	To develop
	Invasion
	Innovative

3. Give the correct form of the verbs in brackets.

- a. If I (to be)..... a filmmaker, I (to create) only sci-fi movies
- b. If I (to get).....a good mark in my Bac exam, I (to study)..... photography in the university.
- c. If you (to mix) red and blue color, you (to get)..... purple.

4. Classify the following words according to the stressed syllable.

Technological - racism - examine - fiction

On the 1 st syllable	On the 2 nd syllable	On the 3 rd syllable

II. Writing

(5pts)

Choose only one topic

- **Topic one:** Imagine you were a filmmaker, and you want to create a sci-fi movie. What would you focus on in your scenarios? Write a short composition in which you say what are your important points to focus on. The following notes may help you:
 - ✓ Be original and use your own ideas and imagination.
 - ✓ Don't make your fantasy too fantastic.
 - ✓ Be sure to include some humanity.
 - ✓ Focus on one or two ideas.
 - ✓ End the story in a way that viewers will remember.
- **Topic two:** Write a composition of about 100 words in which you imagine what would happen if Martians invaded our small town?

"Our greatest weakness lies in giving up. The most certain way to succeed is always to try just one more time." **Thomas A. Edison**

Best of Luck
Your teacher