

## 1. Explain how and why Muybridge shot his first film.

He helped the governor of CA, Leland Stanford, settle a bet by filming a running horse. The technique he pioneered was the first example of using a series of still photography projected onto a screen.

## 2. How did sound synchronization affect the film industry?

The industry has been experimenting with sound synchronization for years, but it was not actually realized until 1926 with advent of the vitaphone system by Warner Bros.

The vitaphone was quickly superseded by the method we still use today, known as sound on film. Sound on film is a method by which a soundtrack is placed next to the actual frames on the film strip creatively. Sound has had a massive impact on the industry.

## 3. How and why did the golden age of Hollywood end?

The golden age of Hollywood ended around late 50s and early 60s because television started becoming more popular so, movies had to move on to more expensive and attempting more stunts to get the audience back to their theater seats.

## 4. What is the significance of the French New Wave?

The French New Wave was a group of trailblazing directors who exploded onto the film scene in the late 1950s; revolutionizing cinematic conventions by marrying the rapid cuts of Hollywood with philosophical trends.

## 5. Define Genre and explain why it is important.

Genre is simply the categorization of art. It is the difference between story types and how they are told. One of the biggest parts of defining yourself is knowing your genre.

There are two basic types of genres; Comedy and drama.

The Greeks were the first to define these two genres. They explored theater and established the idea of storytelling.

## 6. Compare and contrast Drama and Comedy

Drama depends mostly on in-depth character development, interaction and highly emotional themes. Without being painfully obvious: Drama is trying to make you cry. Comedies depend on characters that are funny in and of themselves and the character often finds themselves in difficult but humorous situations.

Comedies are usually based on characters that are common in real life and the situation the characters are in is over the top.

With drama, their characters are dealing with emotional problems that must be solved through self-realization and self-development, typically characterizing dramas.

The characters are often very "human" and well developed.

7. Explain why Romance films always show the protagonist going through pain and rejection initially.

Romance explore the emotions of love and rejection. They always show a rejection first to make the love seem that much sweeter.