

## SUGGESTED MOVIES FOR PRE-TEENS

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Here is a list of recommended movies suggested by a number of families I know and respect. It is offered as a starting point for your family's movie selection. I cannot guarantee that you will like every single one and I personally have not seen all of them, but list them on the advice of dear friends. Although we all are concerned about our family, we are different in our viewing preferences, tastes and tolerance levels. As a result, **I encourage you to check out a review to determine their suitability for your particular family.** Also note that you can borrow a lot of these movies by searching on-line through your public library system and having them sent to your local library branch for pick up. This saves you time, money and energy.

42nd Street- musical comedy

African Queen – drama

An American in Paris- Gene Kelly- musical, romance

Angels in Outfield – PG - baseball movie

Anne of Green Gables movies – drama about a girl growing up in Prince Edward Island, Canada

Arsenic and Old Lace (B&W) – comic drama

Back to the Future I, II and III – PG – adventure

Ballet Shoes – PG – drama with Emma Watson based on the novel

The Bandwagon- Fred Astaire- musical comedy

Battle of Britain – war movie

Bells are Ringing – romantic musical comedy with Dean Martin

Ben Hur with Charlton Heston – historical drama

Captains Courageous (B&W) – drama

Casablanca – classical drama/romance with Humphrey Bogart and Ingrid Bergman

Chariots of Fire – PG - drama about a runner

City of Ember – PG – science-fiction, adventure

Cover Girl - Rita Hayworth, Gene Kelly- musical, romance

The Devil's Brigade – war movie

The Dirty Dozen – war movie

Dodge City – 1939 western with Errol Flynn

Emma – drama with Gwyneth Paltrow

Evan Almighty – PG - fantasy/comedy

Ever After – fantasy – a good rendition of the Cinderella story – PG 13 for momentary strong language

The Final Season – PG - true baseball story

FireProof – PG drama/romance

For Me and My Gal- Judy Garland, Gene Kelly- musical romance

Fly Away Home – animal drama

Harvey with Jimmy Stewart – drama

High Noon with Gary Cooper - western

Horatio Hornblower series featuring Ioan Gruffudd - historical drama/adventure Napoleonic era

Hurricane Season – basketball drama based on a true story

Gifted Hands: The story of Ben Carson – drama based on a true story

Glory Road – PG - basketball drama, true story

Goal: The Dream Begins – PG soccer drama

The Great Escape – WW II movie

Greatest Game Ever Played – 2005 – PG – sports drama  
Gulliver's Travels (1996) – fantasy adventure  
Guns of Navarone – war/adventure movie  
Hidden Places – drama/romance produced by Hallmark  
Hometown Legend – PG - football movie  
I Confess – an old Alfred Hitchcock drama  
Ice Princess- G - skating  
Inn of the Sixth Happiness – drama with Ingrid Bergman  
Into the West – historical fiction  
Invictus – PG-13- sports drama based on a true story of Nelson Mandela and rugby  
It Happened One Night – romantic comedy with Clark Gable  
It Should Happen to You – 1954 romantic comedy with Judy Holliday  
It's a Wonderful Life with Jimmy Stewart  
Kit Kittredge: An American Girl – 2008 - G- drama set during the American depression  
Leatherheads – PG – sports drama, football  
Little Women – historical drama  
Logan's Run – PG – 1976 science-fiction  
Lord of the Rings (Fellowship of the Ring, The Two Towers and Return of the King)– fantasy/adventure  
Magnificent Seven – western with Yul Brenner  
Maltese Falcon with Humphrey Bogart – classic  
Man From Snowy River – PG – action/adventure/romance; sequel: Return to Snowy River also good  
The Mark of Zorro – B&W action/adventure with Tyrone Power  
Miracle – PG - hockey story about United States beating Russia during the Cold War  
Mr. Deeds Goes to Town – comedy/drama with Gary Cooper  
Morning Light – documentary drama about sailing based on a true story  
Narnia Chronicles: Lion, Witch and the Wardrobe – fantasy adventure  
Narnia Chronicles: Prince Caspian – PG – fantasy adventure  
National Velvet – drama about a horse  
Night at The Museum I and II – PG - fantasy/adventure  
North by North-West – comedy/adventure with Cary Grant  
Ocean's 11 – original action movie with Frank Sinatra, Dean Martin  
October Sky – PG – comedy/drama  
Persuasion – PG - 2007- drama, romance adapted from Jane Austen novel  
Pride and Prejudice – with Colin Firth - romance/drama  
The Princess Bride – PG - fantasy adventure  
The Prisoner of Zenda – B&W – adventure/romance  
The Pursuit of Happiness – PG – drama with Will Smith, based on a true story  
Pygmalion – 1938 – drama with Leslie Howard  
Radio – PG - football drama about a mentally challenged individual  
Rear Window – PG – 1954 drama/thriller  
Remember the Titans – PG -football drama based on a true story  
Return to Snowy River - adventure/romance  
Robin and the 7 Hoods - Frank Sinatra, Dean Martin- musical, gangster  
The Rocket – PG - true story about hockey great, Maurice Richard  
The Rookie – 2002 - G – sports drama involving baseball featuring Dennis Quaid  
Sarah Plain and Tall (sequels are Skylark and Winter's End) – drama/romance for girls

The Scarlet and the Black – true story of heroism, WWII drama with Gregory Peck  
Scarlett Pimpernel with Leslie Howard (B&W) - same as above  
Secondhand Lions – PG – comedy/romance/action  
Sissi – 1955 romance drama on the lives of Princess Elizabeth of Bavaria and Franz Josef of Austria  
Sissi the Young Empress – 1956 drama (second of the trilogy)  
Sissi – Fateful Years of an Empress – 1957 drama (last of the trilogy)  
Stalag 17 – classic war movie  
Ten Commandments with Charlton Heston  
The Three Stooges – comedy/slapstick  
The Train – PG – WWII suspense adventure with Burt Lancaster  
Treasure of the Sierra Madre with Humphrey Bogart – classic  
A Tree Grows in Brooklyn – drama  
True Grit with John Wayne – western  
Twelve O'Clock High – war drama  
The Ultimate Gift – PG – drama  
We Are Marshall – PG - football drama, true story  
White Fang – PG – 1991 Walt Disney – animal adventure  
The Wild Stallion – 2009 – story about two girls and horses  
The Yearling (1946) – animal drama  
You Can't Take It With You with Jimmy Stewart – romantic comedy  
The Young Victoria – PG- drama/romance based on the true story of Queen Victoria

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