

## Irish Film 1 - How Well do You Know Irish Film?

Match up each Irish film title below with its correct plot, director, and lead actor. Research online to help.

Film Titles			
Gold	Life's a Breeze	Sing Street	The Quiet Man
Michael Collins	My Left Foot	Brooklyn	Song of the Sea

Plot
A young Irish woman leaves her small town in Ireland for America, in the 1950s.
True story about an Irish revolutionary who fought for Irish independence.
An American returns home to the Irish village he comes from, where he falls in love.
The true story of Christy Brown who became a celebrated writer in spite of having cerebral palsy.
Saoirse and Ben go on adventure to free the faeries and discover the truth about Saoirse's magical gift.
A boy in 1980's Dublin forms a band to impress a girl.
A family discover that their mother hid her life's savings in an old mattress and the search begins!
A teenage girl's life is disrupted when her estranged father shows up out of the blue.

Director			
Tomm Moore	Neil Jordan	Jim Sheridan	John Ford
Lance Daly	John Carney	John Crowley	Niall Heery

Lead Actor			
David Rawle	Daniel Day-Lewis	Maureen O'Hara	Liam Neeson
Jack Reynor	Fionnula Flanagan	Saoirse Ronan	Maisie Williams

- Using these films and any other Irish films you have seen, in groups brainstorm a list of character types, settings, themes and plots that you might expect to find in Irish film.

Characters	Settings	Plots	Themes
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- Compare your findings with your class. Would you expect to find these elements in Hollywood films? How would Hollywood films be similar or different?

### Watching Irish Film

- Watch an Irish film with your class and note the name of the film, director, year, and leading cast.
- What did you enjoy most about the film?
- Which character did you relate to the most in the film, and why?
- In groups discuss the characters, settings, and themes of this film, and then share them with your class.

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- Compare your findings to the list you compiled in Q.3 before watching this film. Has your opinion of Irish film changed since watching this film? Discuss as a class and explain your answers.
- Which was your favourite scene from the film?
  - Write a personal response to your favourite scene in the film, explaining what you liked about it, and how you related to it.