

A SCI-FI CLASSIC

Writer's Tip

- When writing a critical review, take a clear stand for or against your subject.
- Use facts and opinions when *supporting a position*.

If you're looking to rent a movie the whole family can enjoy, check out this science-fiction classic. Even today, more than 25 years after its release, it still thrills viewers. The name of the movie is *Star Wars*.

It may not have the latest special effects, but *Star Wars* is still one of the best science-fiction movies ever made. That's because it has something that most sci-fi movies don't today. It has a heart. Viewers can't help but care about this epic battle between good and evil. When it was first released, theater audiences would cheer out loud for the good guys. Not a lot of movies today can make that claim.

Another thing that makes *Star Wars* a standout is the careful way it depicts violence. This interstellar battle for the fate of the universe has many casualties. For example, a planet blows up and millions die. Although the death count is high, the violence is never graphic. There is no blood and gore.

All in all, *Star Wars* would be a good choice for family movie night. Those who have never seen it will love it, and those who have seen it before will love it just as much the second time around.



Supporting a Position

- ▶ Reread the review. Find the reviewer's position. Then find the opinion used to support this position. Write it in the chart below.

Position: Star Wars is one of the best science-fiction movies ever made.

Supporting Opinion:

Supporting Fact:

Your Turn

- ▶ What position do you take in the review you are writing? Write your position in the chart. Then fill in a supporting opinion and supporting fact.

Position:

Supporting Opinion:

Supporting Fact:

- ▶ Use your chart to help you write your review.