

Reel Teens

1 Video: Dan and the Red Sea

The Reel Teens Media Project introduces filmmaking courses using video into schools. 8th or 9th grade students first learn the basics and then start a creative process that over the years leads them to creating works that are complex, clear-headed and quite stunning.



a) Watch the video “Dan and the Red Sea”, which was the winner in the category “Best Short Fiction”. You can also watch the clip on YouTube.



“Dan and the Red Sea” on YouTube: http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=mjMviKk_Mvo

b) While watching, take notes on:

- the story
- the characters
- funny ideas

2 Writing: A film review

Use your notes to write a film review of about 250 words on “Dan and the Red Sea”. Try to find out all the necessary information about the film (director, cast, year of production, etc.) to complete your review. Share your review with your classmates or, alternatively, videotape yourself reading it aloud and share your clip online.

3 Internet research: Similar projects in your area

Find out if there are similar projects like the Reel Teens Media Project that help teenagers to shoot a film in your area and discuss if your class is interested in starting their own video project.