

What you will learn:

- Many of the different roles in movie making
- Which of those roles are directly involved in making and which are supporting.
- That on smaller productions, people may take on a number of roles
- What is meant by the term 'Producer'
- What is meant by the term 'Director'
- What is meant by the terms 'Studio' and 'Independent' movies

What you should be able to do:

- Demonstrate an understanding of the main roles in movie making
- Demonstrate ability to identify those roles directly involved and those which are supporting
- Demonstrate the ability to write a short pitch seeking funding for a new movie
- Demonstrate an understanding of and ability to control the film making process as director

Roles In Film Making

- Have you ever watched the End Credits of a movie and wondered who everyone was and what they did?
- Have a look at the ending of the movie 'Thor' and list the different job titles
- In total, 2,384 people worked on that film but we'll keep it short!

Roles in Film Making

Thor Ending Credits



Roles in Film Making

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Studio vs Independent

- **Funding** – Studios often have huge financial resource to call on, while Independent producers will often have to find every penny themselves – Spike Jones collected and sold drinks cans to finance his first film!

Studio vs Independent

- **Production** – Studios can afford worldwide locations, extravagant special effects, the best actors.
- Independents – the producer will also be the director and writer, will have access to immediate locations and will employ up and coming actors and have no special effects.

Studio vs Independent

- **Distribution** – Studios will have deals in place before the film is made distribution to cinemas, dvd, online sales etc.
- Independents will have to try to sell their films at festivals, but for every 100 films made, only 5 will secure a deal

What does a Producer do?

- Producers have overall control on every aspect of a film's production. They bring together and approve the whole production team. Their key responsibility is to create an environment where the talents of the cast and crew can flourish. Producers are accountable for the success of the finished film. They steer the film from beginning to completion and beyond.

Activity

- Write a short 'pitch' to raise money for a new film

What does a Director do?

- A **film director** is a person who directs the making of a film.
- Generally, a film director controls a film's artistic and dramatic aspects, and visualizes the script while guiding the technical crew and actors in the fulfilment of that vision.
- The director has a key role in choosing the cast members, production design, and all the creative aspects of filmmaking.

So what have we learned?

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- Next time.... We're going to learn about script writing