



## Elements to Consider: The Nuts and Bolts of Film/TV Review

There's a lot to take in when watching a film/TV series. Character and music, camera angle and costume, plot and special effects, directing and acting... As you watch a film/show and begin brainstorming your written review, consult the following list. These nuts and bolts will ensure you don't overlook any important elements.

- Performance: How was the acting?
- Storyline: Was the narrative convincing? Satisfying?
- Screenplay: Did the script propel the story along? Match the subject?
- Editing: Were the parts and pieces of the film/show well chosen? Linked together smoothly?
- Music and sound effects: Was the music/sound well selected?
- Special effects: Were the special effects convincing? How did they add/detract from overall viewing experience?
- Cinematography: How did the film/show look?
- Camera angles: Were different angles and distances used (between camera and subject) to create mood?
- Lens: Through what lens did the film/show explore the subject? Was gender, race, sexuality, or class at play? How about the environment, culture, religion?