## Film Music

**1 Complete the text using the words.**

| setting | clues | horror | musical | special effects | leitmotif |
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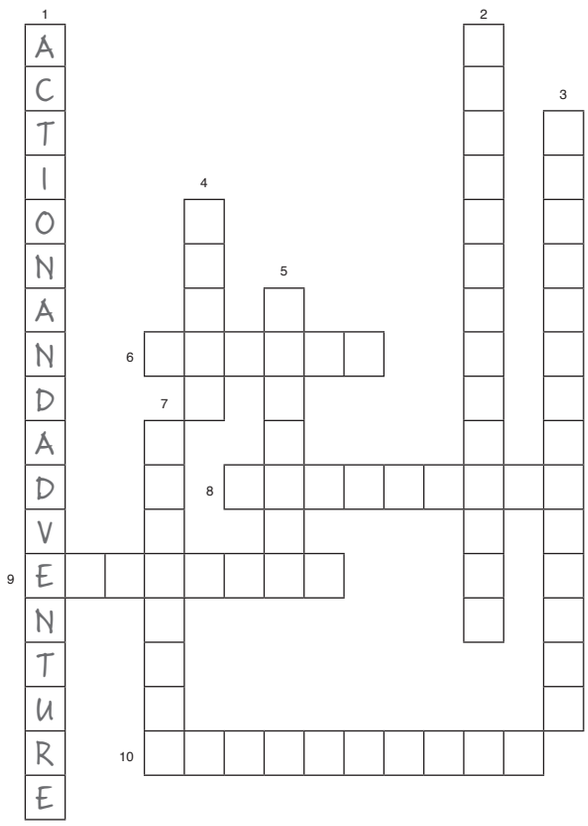
When you go to the cinema, what can you remember about the film? The story of course, the actors and perhaps the [1]..... . But do you remember the music? Perhaps not, but the music in the film is very important. It tells you about the characters and the [2]..... . It creates the atmosphere and gives us [3]..... about what is going to happen.

Composers use different techniques to write music for different films and different moments in the films. Music in [4]..... films is exciting and scary. Action and adventure films are often spectacular and the music is exciting and loud. Science fiction film music is more like the music in horror films, scary and mysterious. [5]..... films combine music, dance and song. Music for a comedy is lighter and faster. On the other hand, music for a romantic film may be slower and sadder.

Musical themes can represent a particular character, place or idea. This technique is called [6]..... . For example, there are over 80 leitmotifs in the Avatar soundtrack! So next time you go to the cinema, watch the film – but listen to the music, too!

**2 Complete the crossword.**




1. A spectacular, exciting and loud type of film.
2. This type of film music is scary and mysterious.
3. Unusual music in a film, for example whips, guns, whistles or drums.
4. For slow, dramatic music, composers use ..... keys.
5. A type of film with cowboys.
6. A funny film. The music is light and fast.
7. These films have got music, dance and song.
8. Music that represents a character, place or idea.
9. Music in horror films is ..... and scary.
10. All of the music in a film.

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