

EMS30 Final Project
Media Studies

Film Review: A Cinderella Story

Watch the 2004 movie *A Cinderella Story* and write a critical analysis of the film based on the key concepts and ideas we have learned in Media Studies. Include the following in your analysis:

1. Give a basic plot summary of the movie.
2. Choose a traditional version of The Cinderella fairy tale. How did the movie compare to the fairy tale? What techniques/devices/changes did the movie use to make the story more modern?
3. How were (females, males, teenagers, stepfamily, etc) portrayed in the movie? Were any of the characters portrayed in stereotypical ways? What were they?
4. Is there anything in the movie that might have an impact on the way society thinks? Are there stereotypes in the movie that aren't accurate in real life? How is violence portrayed in the movie?
5. Who do you think the target audience is for this movie? How are they targeted?
6. Was this movie successful in telling its story and making money?

Your report should be written in paragraph format and be **1 - 2 pages** in length, double-spaced.