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## Movie Night with the BBFC

## Klaus



### Coming together as a family is more important than ever, so why don't you grab some popcorn and a blanket, head to the sofa, and throw a good old fashioned movie night!

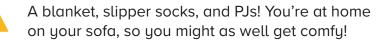
This pack will contain everything you need to set up a fun film night, which is suitable for all the family. We've included a film suggestion, along with information about the age rating and ratings info. This pack also includes a fun, film related activity section - and some discussion points at the end, so when the credits roll, you can have a discussion with your kids about what you've all just seen. Although children of all ages may enjoy this pack, we think it's especially suited to **8 - 11 year olds.** 

This pack will set you up to watch *Klaus*.

#### What you'll need:



Popcorn, or another yummy movie snack, what's your family's favourite?





Turn the lights down low, or even better turn them off completely to get that authentic cinema experience.



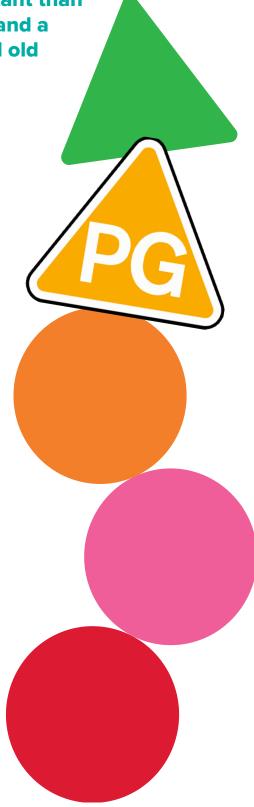
Ask your family to design their own tickets, and hand them over to you at the door. They just need to include the film title, the age rating and ratings info, and the price that you'd like to charge. We've included a template for them in this pack to get you all started.



You can also ask your children to draw a poster advertising the film night - including a drawing of the main character, the age rating and ratings info. Don't forget to advertise what time you're going to start your movie night!



You can stream *Klaus* on Netflix. We've rated it PG, which stands for Parental Guidance.



## What do parents need to know?

Here's a round up of everything you need to know before you press play and watch the film with your children. It includes a short synopsis as well as the long ratings info that you can find on our website. This tells you all the category defining moments in the film.

#### About the age rating:

We've rated *Klaus* PG. That means that anyone can watch the film, but it's different from a U rating because children under eight, or more sensitive children, might find something about the film upsetting. PG films can be more complex or intense, but we still focus on avoiding content and tone that might make younger children feel anxious. We pay particular attention to scenes and issues that tap into real life worries. So while PG films might include tough ideas like crime, racism or bullying, they would never suggest that these are acceptable.

#### Synopsis:

*Klaus* (2019) is an animated comedy adventure in which a new postman's arrival on a remote northern island, and his friendship with the toymaker Klaus, marks the start of the end to a generations old feud and to a new Christmas tradition.

#### **Ratings Info:**

#### **Threat and horror**

Frequent scenes of mild threat include sight of scary skeleton toys and puppets hanging in a dark room, knives covering walls, and scary sight of a rope noose on a gallows used as a bell ringer. There are references to being chopped up and scattered in the woods, and to severed heads and axe murderers, all of which are just imagined fears.

#### Violence

Mild and undetailed scenes of comic violence show people clashing and fighting each other with kitchen knives, spades and household implements. Spears are thrown but there is no injury. There are also scenes of mild slapstick.

There is very mild bad language ('God'). Rude humour includes references to 'soiling of the pants' and sight of a man with his bottom burning after he falls onto a burning fireplace













## **Activity Print Out For Kids**

It's almost Christmas, which means it's time to write your letter to Klaus! Tell him about all the good deeds you've done this year and what kind of toys you would like to recieve most.



You'll need a ticket for your movie night! Why don't you fill in our template.

Don't forget to include the film title, age rating, ratings info (which you can find in this pack), the time the film starts, and admission price:

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Klaus makes wonderful gifts for the town. Use this space to draw the perfect gift for a loved one. Think about what they like and what their interests are. We'd love to see your creation, so your parents can take a photo of it and tag the BBFC in it on social media:

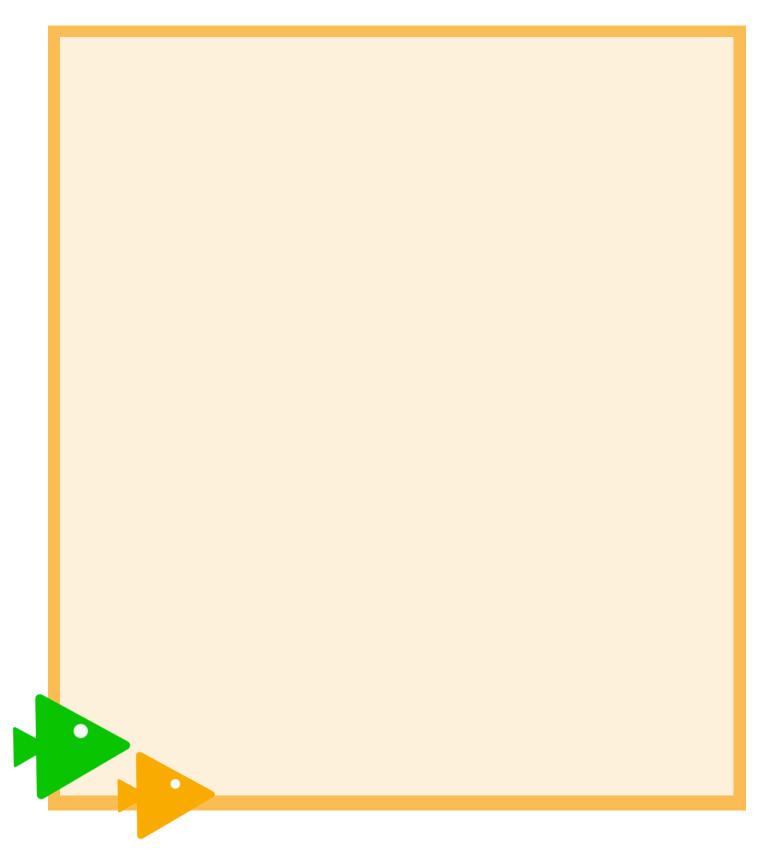






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### For the whole family: Now it's time to talk about the film

Did you enjoy the film? How did it make you feel? Were there any bits of the story that you didn't like? Did you learn anything, if so what?

Do you agree with the BBFC age rating? Would you add or remove anything? Is it helpful to know about what is in a film before you watch it?

Who is your favourite character, and why?

At the beginning of the film, Jesper is shown to be a lazy and spoiled character. How does he change over the course of the film? Do you like him more or less by the end of the film? Why is that?

When he first takes up his post, Jespers main motivation for performing well is to make sure that he is not written out of his fathers will. How does this change over the film? What do you think his motivations are at the end of the film?



A big aspect of the film is the feud between the Krums and the Ellingboes. Why does the falling out happen? How are the two families different? Can you see any similarities between them?



Why do the children in the film start doing good deeds? Can you think of a time when you have done a good deed? How did it make you feel?



In the film, we see Klaus making wooden toys for children, and we discover the reasons why he does this. How do you think the film deals with loss? How does Klaus' loss motivate him to help and connect with others?



How many traditional things about Father Christmas can you spot in this film? Make a list of them all! What's your favourite thing about Father Christmas?

Klaus is an animated film. How do you think this adds to the film's impact? Do you think it would be different with real people playing the parts? What do you think you can achieve with animation that you can't with real people?

Christmas is a time full of traditions. What are your family traditions? What are your favourite things to do together with friends and family at Christmas time?