LEVELS LADDER (VIDEOS)

LEVEL 1	LOWER LEVEL 2	UPPER LEVEL 2	LOWER LEVEL 3	UPPER LEVEL 3	LOWER LEVEL 4	UPPER LEVEL 4
HOLDING A SHOT STEADY	HOLDING A SHOT STEADY	HOLDING A SHOT STEADY	HOLDING A SHOT STEADY	HOLDING A SHOT STEADY	HOLDING A SHOT STEADY	HOLDING A SHOT STEADY
No evidence of a tripod being used	Many shots are clearly hand held, some use of tripod.	Most shots are held steadily. Some inappropriately hand held shots	All static shots are held steadily, moving shots wobble	All shots are held steadily, some moving shots may wobble slightly	All shots are steady, including moving shots.	There is a clear relationship between camera movement and other action.
FRAMING A SHOT No sense of composition	FRAMING A SHOT Some composition (low / high angle shots) but not consistently.	FRAMING A SHOT Some composition (low / high angle shots).	FRAMING A SHOT Considering the whole frame for most shots	FRAMING A SHOT Depth of field and rules of thirds used at times	FRAMING A SHOT Framing for visual interest and all elements composed	FRAMING A SHOT Imaginative angles and artistic composition
VARIETY OF SHOT DISTANCES There is no variety in camera distances.	VARIETY OF SHOT DISTANCES MS and LS predominate	VARIETY OF SHOT DISTANCES Some variety of shot distance, but does not cut in to action as necessary	VARIETY OF SHOT DISTANCES Variety is better and cuts in occasionally but not consistently	VARIETY OF SHOT DISTANCES Good variety and cuts in to action / reaction in close-up	VARIETY OF SHOT DISTANCES Wide variety adds visual interest and narrative sense	VARIETY OF SHOT DISTANCES Complete range. Cuts to action / reaction perfectly. Visually engaging
APPROPRIATE TO TASK There are no conventional features	APPROPRIATE TO TASK Few conventional features.	APPROPRIATE TO TASK Several conventional features. Actors have some direction	APPROPRIATE TO TASK Conventional features that reflect form / genre. Actors sustain a role	APPROPRIATE TO TASK Conventional product that mostly reflect form /genre. Actors have positive direction	APPROPRIATE TO TASK Conventional product, clearly reflects genre and form. Actors are very well directed.	APPROPRIATE TO TASK Looks like a professionally produced product
MISE-EN-SCENE SELECTION	MISE-EN-SCENE SELECTION	MISE-EN-SCENE SELECTION	MISE-EN-SCENE SELECTION	MISE-EN-SCENE SELECTION	MISE-EN-SCENE SELECTION	MISE-EN-SCENE SELECTION
No consideration given to location, costume, props	Does not suggest media form or genre	Partially reflects form &/or genre	Some design choices / selections clearly evident	Design choices reflects form & genre	Clear and coherent design choices for form / genre	Every element reflects form, genre, theme(s), tone
EDITING FOR MEANING Editing does not make sense	EDITING FOR MEANING Some suggestion of story development, but very confusing.	EDITING FOR MEANING Narrative is evident, although some confusion remains.	EDITING FOR MEANING Narrative progression is sound. Pacing is weak. Several continuity errors.	EDITING FOR MEANING Good narrative sense. A sense of pacing. One or two continuity errors	EDITING FOR MEANING Clear narrative sense. Pacing is good. Continuity and montage as appropriate.	EDITING FOR MEANING Complete narrative sense. Excellent visual, rhythmic, space, time relationships.
SHOT TRANSITIONS No attempt to use transitions is evident.	SHOT TRANSITIONS Completely inappropriate transitions used, with no logic to choice	SHOT TRANSITIONS Some attempt to select transitions, but intrusive and sometimes inappropriate	SHOT TRANSITIONS Transitions are consistent, but can be occasionally intrusive	SHOT TRANSITIONS Good selection of transitions which are logical and consistent.	SHOT TRANSITIONS Transitions are logical and well selected. Reflect genre, mood and themes.	SHOT TRANSITIONS Transitions (+ selection) are perfectly judged throughout.
SOUND WITH IMAGES No attempt to include music or sound effects	SOUND WITH IMAGES Sound and visuals bear little relationship to each other	SOUND WITH IMAGES Sync is weak and sound does little to add to narrative / rhythm	SOUND WITH IMAGES Sync has some inaccuracies, some attempts to add to narrative / rhythm	SOUND WITH IMAGES Sync is mostly accurate and there is a clear attempt to add to narrative / rhythm	SOUND WITH IMAGES Sound is very strong, sync is precise, reflects narrative events and rhythm very well	SOUND WITH IMAGES Sound is excellent, synced precisely, works in narrative and edit perfectly
USING TITLES There are no titles evident	USING TITLES Title selection is poor and show no understanding of convention / jobs	USING TITLES Titles show some selection / design, but conventionally flawed. Many jobs missing.	USING TITLES Titles are mostly conventional & include most production jobs in order	USING TITLES Titles are conventional, and include all jobs in order + production company ident	USING TITLES Titles are conventional & effective; echo genre, tone & themes very well.	USING TITLES Titles are visually engaging and reflect genre, tone and themes perfectly.

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