

**MODESTO CITY SCHOOLS  
SUPPLEMENTARY INSTRUCTIONAL MATERIALS:  
FILMS/VIDEOS**

**Approved for 2018-2019**

**Downey High School**

**GRADE 10**

The following films/videos are approved as supplementary instructional materials for tenth grade. Parents/Guardians may select to opt their student out of the assignment by notifying the school and requesting an alternate assignment. MPAA ratings are indicated. Unrated films are labeled NR.

Sensitive Conduct Code

N = Nudity    P = Profanity    S = Sexual Conduct    V = Violence

**Grade 10 English**

**Excalibur (R)**

The separate myths and legends of King Arthur studied by students are united in this excellent illumination of the grail quest. [S, V, N]

**Of Mice and Men (NR/PG-13)**

The film provides excellent topics for writing as students compare and contrast the movie and Steinbeck's classic morality tale. [V, P]

**10<sup>TH</sup> Grade World History**

**Pianist, The (R)**

This film tells the story of a Polish Jew, a classical pianist who survived the holocaust. Also depicted is the gradual loss of freedoms of the Jews and the transition to the Holocaust and Final Solution. [V]

**Saving Private Ryan (Excerpt only) (R)**

The attitudes of soldiers as they landed and the great price of victory in human lives are depicted realistically in this film of the D-Day invasion. [V, P]

**Schindler's List (R)**

The study of the horrors of the Holocaust and the impact of Hitler's "final solution" are better understood by students viewing this award-winning film of the real life war profiteer who saves 1,000 Polish Jews, of his Jewish accountant who awakens his conscience, and of the odious Nazi commandant. [V, P, S, some N]

**Sophie's Choice (Excerpt only) (R)**

The horrors of concentration camps are depicted well in this excerpt from the film Version of William Styron's novel. [V, P]