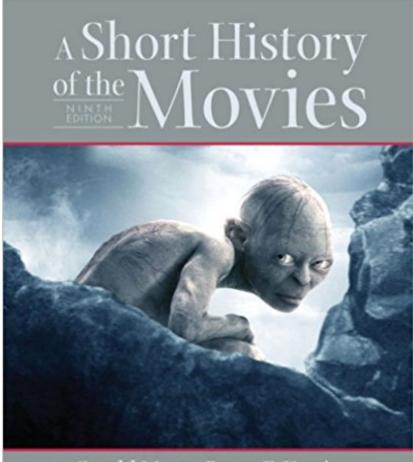


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# A Short History Of The Movies



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Very comprehensive and detailed look at the history of film and it's growth and development over the years.Can't believe the cost of the book, though!

This book was required for my History of Film class but I think I'll be keeping it for myself instead of returning it. It's full of short, concise descriptions of some of the important points in film starting at the beginning. I've referenced it in every paper I've written for the class, must buy.

#### Good

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