

Psychic Scams & Cinema

This Page contains information on several media assignments, including two videos (available through Amazon Instant Streaming) and a YouTube video.

- Your viewing assignment for Psychic Scams is an episode from the television series *Penn & Teller: Bullshit!* The videos are available through Amazon Instant Streaming for \$1.99 per episode. Watch one or more of the following episodes:

- - - "Talking to the Dead" Season 1 Episode 1
 - "Ouija Boards/Near Death Experiences" Season 1 Episode 7
 - "ESP" Season 1 Episode 12
 - "Sign from Heaven" Season 3 Episode 8
 - "Ghostbusters" Season 3 Episode 12
 - "Astrology" Season 7 Episode 2

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2. Your viewing assignments for Psychic Cinema (scenes & trailers: an overview):

Comedies:



[Video: *Ghostbusters* opening scene \(Links to an external site.\)](#)



[Video: *Ghost* psychic reading scene \(Links to an external site.\)](#)

[Video: *The Men Who Stare at Goats* movie trailer \(Links to an external site.\)](#)





[Video: Zapped! movie trailer \(Links to an external site.\)](#)

Horror:



[Video: The Legend of Hell House trance scene \(Links to an external site.\)](#)



[Video: Carrie prom scene \(Links to an external site.\)](#)



[Video: The Dead Zone premonition scene \(Links to an external site.\)](#)



[Video: The Fury movie trailer \(Links to an external site.\)](#)



[Video: Scanners mind blowing scene \(Links to an external site.\)](#)



[Video: *Stir of Echoes* horrors of hypnosis scene \(Links to an external site.\)](#)



[Video: *Dreamscape* movie trailer \(Links to an external site.\)](#)

After reviewing this material, click Next to see your Viewing response assignments.

Response to: Psychic Scams

After watching 1+ episode(s) of *Penn & Teller: Bullshit!* that focuses on psychics & scams, write a 300+ word response.

This should be in the form of a Body paragraph(s) that includes a Topic Sentence, examples, and a concluding sentence.

After completing this assignment, click Next to see your Psychic Cinema Viewing response assignment.

Response to: Psychic Cinema

After watching the video clips illustrating psychic phenomena and scams, from the comedy & horror film genres, write a response on why such phenomena & scams are so frequently utilized as plot set-up or character motivation in comedy & horror films.

Write a 300+ word response. This should be in the form of a Body paragraph(s) that includes a Topic Sentence, examples, and a concluding sentence.