

## ACTIVITY 9: MOVIE RELEASE DATES

### New Skills Reinforced:

In this activity, you will practice how to:

1. format cells as dates in a spreadsheet.

### Activity Overview:

Comingsoon.net provides movie release dates and reviews so consumers can track information on movies. Besides movie release dates, the site offers features, movie and television news, bulletin boards, trailers and clips, previews, DVD news, box office reports, and more. Information comes directly from the studios. Anytime a title goes from an estimated release date to an exact release date, it is the studio that provides the information. As with any industry, release dates change often.

Many factors determine a movie's video release date including box office performance, time of the year, genre, and target audience. Each studio has its own way of determining video release dates that vary from movie to movie.

The following activity illustrates how spreadsheets can be used to list movie titles, release dates, and leading actors and actresses.

### Instructions:

1. Create a NEW spreadsheet.
  - **Note:** Unless otherwise stated, the font should be set to Arial, the font size to 10 point.
2. Type the data as shown.
3. Change the font size of A2 to 16 point.
4. Bold rows 4 and 5.
5. Select cells A7 – A8 and use the AutoFill feature to complete the series of numbers for cells A7 – A30.
6. Format the width of column A to 12.0 and left align.
7. Center align cells A5 – A30.
8. Format the width of column B to 30.0 and left align.
9. Format the width of column C to 12.0 and right align.
10. Format column C as dates showing m/dd/yyyy. Example: "1/6/2006."
11. Format the width of column D to 12.0 and center align.
12. Format the width of columns E and F to 24.0 and left align.
13. Carefully proofread your work for accuracy.
14. Save the spreadsheet as MOVIE RELEASE DATES.
15. Analyze the changes made to the data in the spreadsheet.
16. Set the Print Area to include all cells containing data in the spreadsheet.
17. Print Preview and adjust the Page Setup so that the spreadsheet fits on one page. Set the page orientation to landscape.
18. Print a copy of the spreadsheet if required by your instructor.

**NEW SKILL**

# ACTIVITY 9: MOVIE RELEASE DATES DATA SPREADSHEET

	A	B	C	D	E	F
1	Activity 9 Student Name					
2	MOVIE RELEASE DATES					
3						
4			RELEASE			
5	NUMBER	MOVIE TITLE	DATE	RATING	LEADING ACTOR	LEADING ACTRESS
6						
7	1	BloodRayne	1/6/06	R	Ben Kingsley	Kristanna Loken
8	2	Glory Road	1/13/06	PG	Josh Lucas	(None)
9		Last Holiday	1/13/06	PG	LL Cool J	Queen Latifah
10		The Libertine	1/13/06	NA	Johnny Depp	Samantha Morton
11		Underworld: Evolution	1/20/06	NA	Scott Speedman	Kate Beckinsale
12		Big Momma's House 2	1/27/06	PG-13	Martin Lawrence	Nia Long
13		Curious George	2/10/06	PG	Will Ferrell	Drew Barrymore
14		Firewall	2/10/06	NA	Harrison Ford	Virginia Madsen
15		Final Destination 3	2/10/06	NA	Ryan Merriman	Mary Elizabeth
16		The Pink Panther	2/10/06	PG	Steve Martin	Beyoncé Knowles
17		Date Movie	2/17/06	NA	Eddie Griffin	Alyson Hannigan
18		Freedomland	2/17/06	R	Samuel L. Jackson	Julianne Moore
19		Alpha Dog	2/24/06	R	Justin Timberlake	Emile Hirsch
20		Dave Chappelle's Block Party	3/3/06	NA	Dave Chappelle	Lauryn Hill
21		Failure to Launch	3/3/06	NA	Matthew McConaughey	Sarah Jessica Parker
22		Basic Instinct 2: Risk Addiction	3/10/06	NA	David Morrissey	Sharon Stone
23		The Shaggy Dog	3/10/06	PG	Tim Allen	Kristin Davis
24		Ask the Dust	3/17/06	R	Colin Farrell	Salma Hayek
25		V For Vendetta	3/17/06	R	Hugo Weaving	Natalie Portman
26		The Inside Man	3/24/06	NA	Denzel Washington	Jodie Foster
27		RV	3/24/06	NA	Robin Williams	Kristin Chenoweth
28		Take the Lead	3/24/06	NA	Antonio Banderas	Jenna Dewan
29		Ice Age 2: The Meltdown	3/31/06	G	Ray Romano	Queen Latifah
30		Lucky Number Slevin	3/31/06	NA	Bruce Willis	Lucy Liu

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