Objective

By the end of this lesson, you will be able to explore the historical context of the Mama Mia movie and understand its significance within the broader scope of history.

Materials and Prep

- Mama Mia movie
- Notebook or paper
- Pen or pencil

No prior knowledge or preparation is required for this lesson.

Activities

- 1. Watch the Mama Mia movie, paying close attention to the setting, time period, and historical references.
- 2. Take notes while watching the movie, jotting down any historical events, cultural aspects, or societal changes that are mentioned or depicted.
- 3. After watching the movie, research the time period and location in which the story is set. Look for additional information about the historical events and cultural context of that time and place.
- 4. Write a reflection paper discussing the historical significance of the Mama Mia movie. Include specific examples from the movie and your research to support your points.

Ninth Grade Talking Points

- "The Mama Mia movie is set in the 1970s on a Greek island called Kalokairi. This was a time when social and cultural changes were taking place around the world."
- "The movie incorporates the music of the Swedish pop group ABBA, which was popular during the 1970s. Music often reflects the social and cultural climate of a particular era."
- "The story revolves around a young woman named Sophie who is about to get married. She invites three men who could potentially be her father to her wedding, leading to a series of comedic and dramatic events."
- "The movie touches upon themes of love, identity, and family. These themes are universal and can be explored through different historical contexts."
- "By analyzing the historical background of the movie, we can gain a deeper understanding of the societal changes, cultural norms, and events that influenced the characters and their choices."