

Rating Scale

My rating system is unique in its use of quarter-stars. Although every quarter-star increment indicates a difference, that difference is quite small. You have to get up to half-star or three-quarters-star differences before you see a real separation of quality between movies. To simplify matters, you might just think of movies in the 4-5 range as great, those in the 3-4 range as good or very good, the ones in the 2-3 range as average, those in the 1-2 range as bad and the films below 1 as awful.

It might also be useful to know how this system translates to other ratings systems, too. *The Orlando Weekly*, starting in 2017, is using the same scale as I am, with half-stars instead of quarter-stars. (From May 2014 to December 2016, they used a 0-5 scale with no-half stars, while they used a 1-5 scale before that.)

<u>MeierMovies</u> <u>(0-5 with</u> <u>quarter-stars)</u>	<u>Orlando Weekly</u> <u>(0-5 with half-stars</u> <u>but no quarter-stars)</u>	<u>1-5 stars</u> <u>(with half-stars)</u>	<u>Old Orlando Weekly</u> <u>(0-5 with no half-stars)</u>	<u>1-4 stars</u> <u>with half-stars</u>	<u>Folio Weekly</u> <u>(0-4 with half-stars)</u>	<u>Letter</u> <u>Grades</u>
See it in heaven						
5 (masterpieces)	5	5	5	4	4	A+
4 ¾ (masterpieces)	5	5	5	4	4	A
4 ½ (great)	4 ½	4 ½	5	4	3 ½	A
See it now						
4 ¼ (great)	4 ½	4 ½	4	3 ½	3 ½	A-
4 (very good)	4	4	4	3 ½	3 ½ or 3	B+
3 ¾ (very good)	4	4	4	3 ½	3	B
3 ½ (good)	3 ½	3 ½	3 or 4	3	3	B
See it eventually						
3 ¼ (good)	3 ½	3 ½	3	3	3 or 2 ½	B-
3 (above average)	3	3 ½	3	3	2 ½	C+
2 ¾ (above average)	3	3	3	2 ½	2 ½	C
2 ½ (slightly above average)	2 ½	3	3	2 ½	2 ½	C
↑THUMBS UP						
See it at your own risk						
↓THUMBS DOWN						
2 ¼ (slightly below average)	2	3	2	2 ½	2	C-
2 (below average)	2	2 ½	2	2	2	D+
1 ¾ (below average)	2	2 ½	2	2	1 ½	D
1 ½ (bad)	1 ½	2 ½	1 or 2	2	1 ½	D
Don't see it						
1 ¼ (bad)	1 ½	2	1	1 ½	1	D-
1 (very bad)	1	2	1	1 ½	1	F
¾ (very bad)	1	1 ½	1	1 ½	½	F
See it in hell						
½ (bombs)	½	1 ½	0	1	½	F
¼ (bombs)	½	1	0	1	0	F
0 (Super Turkeys)	0	1	0	1	0	F