

## Akio's 8.5 Rave Review

### Akio's 8.5 Rave Reviews: Planning

**My movie:** *October Sky*

**My thesis:**

*My opinion on this film: I like the film, I think it was successful for many reasons.*

*Ideas*

**Dramatic camera shots made it successful**

- the sky disappears from elevator roof while Homer go down to mine (low angle shot & satellite) —homer dreams closing
- mine darkness- dark future -cramped mines- limited prospects

**Dialogue—Humour made it successful**

*It is a very funny movie! Have to have a sense of humour or would always depressing—the teacher's line: How 'bout I believe in the unlucky ones? Hmm? I have to, Mister Turner, I'd go out of my mind.*

**Conflict and theme:** *Homer does not wish to be coalminer like his father.*

- wants to work for NASA and space program.
  - Stil loyal to family which cause problems when his father gets hurt in mine explosion.
  - Homer's dreams get put aside, so he can support house hold.
  - Even though he from poor town, middle of nowhere place and get in lots of trouble with rocketry, they win big science fair, making Homer's dreams all possible!
  - Even though Homer and his friends walk 8 miles to test rockets...
  - Homer's friend dies
  - Homer fighting with father all time (dad does not want Homer to be serious about space program
- **But** Homer never gives up. He face so much conflict standing in the way of his big dreams, but he and his friends they never give up.

**Conclusion:** *Other people could relate to this film—*

- peoples face the challenges every day, but never give up
- they so determined to get what they want (people with physical disabilities, my father (as immigrant to Canada), etc.)

*Akio, you understand the plot of the film with an idea of theme but can you phrase it in a statement of your own?*



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