B!CHARACTER: RECOMMENDED FILM

Courses: 1st and 2nd year primary
Skill: SELF-ESTEEM
Film: THE FOX AND THE HOUND
Month: November



FILM INFO

<u>Film title:</u> The Fox and the Hound Director: Ted Berman, Richard Rich

Year: 1981

<u>Duration</u>: 83 minutes <u>Production</u>: USA

Genre: Cartoon. Musical. Comedy. Children's. Family.

Music: Buddy Baker

Streaming services where available:









SYNOPSIS

The film centres on the relationship between two animals, a fox called Tod and a dog called Copper, who forge a firm friendship when they are small. Copper is a breed of hunting dog, and his owner takes him out to hunt to train him for a season – and he becomes a ferocious Hunter of foes, forgetting about his childhood friend. After his training he returns home and is made to become the enemy of. But Tod hasn't forgotten about his friend, and even though Copper chases after him, he ends up defending Copper when he sees him in danger.

QUOTES FROM THE FILM

Who says things like this and when, during the film?

"Our happiness grew from your sadness. That was when I knew that I also needed you."

"My dear, always is a very, very long time, and time has its way of changing things."

"Amos, that temper is going to get you into trouble one day."

QUESTIONS FOR YOUR FILM GROUP

- 1. Think about the friendship between Tod and Copper. Why was it difficult for them to stay friends? How did their friendship when they were young help them when they were older?
- 2. Why does Widow Tweed sing "from our sadness, happiness grows" when taking Tod to the animal reserve, remembering when she found him an orphan?
- 3. A sequel was made 25 years later and shows Tod and Copper as being small once again, and who never have to make difficult decisions as they grow up. What story do you like the most?