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## MOVIE STUDIES:

- American Girl Movies
- Chronicles of Narnia (all 3 movies)
- Cinderella Man
- The Courageous Heart of Irena Sendler
- Defiance
- Fiddler on the Roof
- 42
- The Giver
- Holes
- Life is Beautiful
- The Pursuit of Happyness
- Remember the Titans
- Ruby Bridges
- Secondhand Lions
- The Sound of Music
- Unbroken
- Willy Wonka and the Chocolate Factory
- Wonder
- The Zookeeper's Wife
- And more!

**NOTE:** This guide is intended to educate students on the realities of human trafficking in a fact-based manner. Learn in Color does not support conspiracy theories or fear-mongering. Operation Underground Railroad, which the movie *Sound of Freedom* is based on, received controversy after a conspiracy group hijacked their popular hashtag, #SaveOurChildren. Learn in Color does not support these unproven conspiracies. Trafficking is a real, global problem that affects individuals and we believe these wild conspiracies take away from identifying the real signs of trafficking.

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# PRE-VIEWING QUESTIONS

1. What do you know about human trafficking?

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2. What is human trafficking?

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3. Human trafficking is a global problem that effects people from all walks of life. Certain populations are more vulnerable. How might poverty make a person more vulnerable to trafficking?

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4. What types of people in your community would come in contact with people who are trafficked?

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Human trafficking includes sex trafficking, organ trafficking, forced marriages, or forced labor. In the United States, there are two forms of trafficking recognized: forced labor and sex trafficking. Read this article from the US Department of State: <https://www.state.gov/what-is-trafficking-in-persons/>

1. What is domestic servitude?

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2. What is forced child labor?

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# SOUND OF FREEDOM COMPREHENSION QUESTIONS

1. Where does Roberto believe he is sending his two children, Miguel and Rocío?

- A. A farm
- B. To the United States
- C. A modeling gig
- D. A private school

2. Chris and Tim have arrested many predators, but haven't rescued a single child. How does Tim feel about this?

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3. Tim arrests Ernst Oshinsky, a pedophile. How does he gain Oshinsky's trust?

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4. What does Miguel think of Tim?

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5. What happens during Tim's proposed sting operation in Cartagena, Colombia?

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6. Actor Jim Caviezel, who plays Tim Ballard, has said, "This [Sound of Freedom] is the second most important film I have ever done since 'The Passion of the Christ,' ... It's going to affect the saving of a lot of children and the changing of lives. It will also bring a lot of light into the darkness." How can films like Sound of Freedom spread awareness to difficult topics?

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# HUMAN TRAFFICKING MYTHS

## **Myth: Most trafficking victims don't know their trafficker.**

Most trafficking, especially in the US, is by a person the victim knows. This is most often romantic partners or parents.

## **Myth: All trafficking victims are women and girls.**

While trafficking predominantly targets women and girls, boys and men are trafficked as well.

## **Myth: Human trafficking is only in "poor" countries.**

While poverty is a factor in trafficking, anyone can be a target for trafficking.

## **Myth: Trafficking is a violent crime that often involves kidnapping.**

Most trafficking happens from coercion, psychological manipulation, or threats. Most trafficking victims are not dramatically or violently abducted out of parking lots or in their hotel rooms (as shown in the popular film *Taken*).

Trafficking victims are often promised better opportunities in life: farming, modeling, employment, marriage, schooling, or chances at a better life in a foreign country. Later, coercion is used. Threats are made against the victim or the victim's family.

## **Myth: Trafficking victims are most often locked in rooms and unable to leave.**

Human trafficking is a complex situation that is often falsely portrayed in movies and television shows.

Human trafficking thrives on manipulation and coercion. Many victims lack the resources to leave, believe they cannot leave, or are in a vulnerable situation that makes leaving extremely difficult.

For example, someone trafficked from Mexico to the United States might be afraid of deportation, might not speak English, or might believe her family will be killed if she tries to escape.

A "boyfriend" trafficking his "girlfriend" might manipulate her with gifts, isolation, or threats of leaving if she disobeys him.

Spend some time on the following websites. Then, list at least five facts about human trafficking.

<https://polarisproject.org/human-trafficking>

<https://ourrescue.org/blog>

<https://www.state.gov/identify-and-assist-a-trafficking-victim/>