#NCSconnects Virtual Activity

**Activity:** Tobacco on the Big Screen

**Category:** Health & Wellness, Prevention

**Suggested Grade Level:** Grades 6-12

**Description:**
Many movies still contain scenes where people or animated characters are smoking. Can you name the movie based on the description?

**Supplies:**
- Printout of second page
- Pencil

**Instructions:**
1. Print out the second page.
2. Read each sentence and see if you can name the movie it describes.
3. Check your answers on page 3.

**Takeaways:** Movies are just one medium we are exposed to every day that influences our lives. We may not realize it, but when we see things like smoking and vaping in movies, we may begin to think these are okay things to do—but they are not! Smoking and vaping are seriously dangerous for our bodies and brains.
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Warner Brothers™ made an agreement with a major tobacco company in which the hero of this 1980’s movie is seen breaking through a cigarette companies advertisement: ____________

“Dr. Augustine” is seen smoking in this film: ________________

The main character in this movie can be seen smoking throughout the entire film. After this film the actor pledged to create only non-smoking movies. In 2002, he stopped that pledge for another movie in this series: __________________

You can find a cigar smoking dog and an earth-invading alien smoking cigarettes in this movie: ________________

The Hollywood agents in this animated movie smoke cigars: ________________

Characters smoke cigars to celebrate victory throughout this movie: ________________

Passengers are seen smoking throughout this film: ________________

In this movie, a caterpillar is seen smoking out of a hookah: __________________
Answer Key

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