

# Movie List for Training Hours

## Anne of Green Gables

An orphan is taken in by a spinster and they all have to learn to live together. Based on the novel. (1985)

## On Our Own (PG)

A group of siblings run away from authorities after their mother dies because they are afraid they will be placed in different foster homes. The children are in search of a relative who will take them in. (1988)

## This Boy's Life (R)

A single mother moves from relationship to relationship and town to town with her son before ending up marrying a man from a small town in Washington State. He soon becomes abusive and the boy struggles to escape. Starring Robert De Niro and Leonardo DiCaprio. (1993)

## Losing Isaiah (R)

A drug addict abandons her baby. Years later after she is clean, she discovers her son had been adopted and fights to get him back. Starring Halle Berry. (1995)

## The Deep End of the Ocean (PG-13)

A mother of a three-year-old finds out he is missing. The boy is found nine years later. Based on the novel. Starring Michelle Pfeiffer. (1999)

## Stuart Little (PG)

Stuart Little is a mouse who gets adopted. However his behavior may be a bit much for his parents. Voiced by Michael J. Fox. (1999)

## I Am Sam (PG-13)

A man with the mental capacity of a small child fathers a daughter of his own. He gets his child taken away by protective services that deem him unfit. The man struggles to regain custody. Starring Sean Penn and Michelle Pfeiffer. (2001)

## Antwone Fisher (PG-13)

Based on a true story. A sailor addresses his troubled past with a therapist. He learns to deal with emotions about a family who abandoned him. Starring Derek Luke and Denzel Washington. (2002)

## White Oleander (PG-13)

A woman murders her boyfriend and is sentenced to life in prison. Her daughter is placed in foster care and struggles with who her mother is and how to find a life of her own. Starring Michelle Pfeiffer. (2002)

## Little John (PG)

A family court judge who makes decisions about children every day has to face a decision of her own. Her dying father tries to reunite her with her own child, whom she thought had been adopted many years before. Starring Ving Rhames and Gloria Reuben. (2002)

### Thirteen (R)

A young girl finds a new friend who introduces her to things she's never done before. Her mom has a hard time dealing with the girl's behavior. Starring Evan Rachel Wood and Holly Hunter. (2003)

### Redemption (R)

A professor's son joins a gang and she decides to write a book about them. When she sets up a meeting with the leader in prison it helps him turn his life around. Starring Lynn Whitfield and Jamie Foxx. (2004)

### Four Brothers (R)

After their adoptive mother dies, four brothers find out she is murdered and avenge her death. Starring Mark Wahlberg. (2005)

### Loverboy (R)

Emily is a woman who was neglected by her parents as a child. When she has a child of her own, she struggles to find a way to be a good mother to him. Starring Kyra Sedgwick. (2005)

### Gridiron Gang (PG-13)

Youths in juvenile detention form a football team, lead by a probation officer. Based on a documentary about a real-life team. Starring Dwayne Johnson. (2006)

### December Boys (PG-13)

Four teenage boys living in a Catholic Orphanage are getting older and realize they may never be adopted. They go on vacation at a seaside resort and compete for a home with a family who is their host. Starring Daniel Radcliffe. (2006)

### SherryBaby (R)

Sherry is a recovering addict who was just released from prison. She tries to turn her life around for her daughter Lexie. Starring Maggie Gyllenhaal. (2006)

### Freedom Writers (PG-13)

A teacher asks her troubled students to keep a journal. The students learn from history to help them change their futures. Starring Hilary Swank. (2007)

### Juno (PG-13)

Juno is a young teenager who finds out she is pregnant. Juno decides to give the baby up for adoption and tries to pick the best couple for her child. Starring Ellen Page. (2007)

### Secondhand Lions (PG)

A teenager is forced to spend the summer with his great-uncles on their farm. Among the stories about their pasts, they all learn from each other. Starring Michael Caine and Robert Duvall. (2007)

### Meet the Robinsons (G)

A young boy goes on an adventure to find his mother, after living in an orphanage for some time. He ends up finding the Robinsons. (2007)

### Martian Child (PG)

A widowed science-fiction writer adopts a six-year-old boy to cure his loneliness. The boy states he is from Mars as they both learn to deal with the loss in their lives. Starring John Cusack. (2007)

### August Rush (PG)

A young boy who is musically talented goes on a quest to find his birth parents. He allows his music to guide his way. Starring Keri Russell. (2007)

### Precious (R)

A young woman who has an abusive mother and father enrolls in an alternative school. There she finds hope that things can change, although she still has to deal with her mother and two children. Starring Mo'Nique. (2008)

### Rachel Getting Married (R)

Kym is a young woman who is released from rehab to attend her sister Rachel's wedding. Kym has struggled with her past and tries to regain a connection with the members of her family. Starring Anne Hathaway. (2008)

### The Blind Side (PG-13)

A sixteen-year-old boy finds himself homeless after a difficult life. A wealthy couple takes him in and finds himself through his new life and football. Starring Sandra Bullock and Tim McGraw. (2009)

### I Can Do Bad All by Myself (PG-13)

A group of three siblings get into trouble and find themselves living with their only remaining relative, an aunt, who doesn't want them. Starring Tyler Perry and Taraji P. Henson. (2009)