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Leonard Maltin is a film critic and resident film buff on USA television's "Entertainment Tonight". This guide presents his insightful criticism and provides an up-to-date listing of movies. It contains more than 18,000 reviews, including over 300 new entries, with over 13,000 video and 8000 DVD and laserdisc listings. It also includes an updated index of leading performers and a list of 50 films you "really ought to see".

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