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KORTFILMSKLUBBEN ENGELSKA

I am John Wayne

Read through the whole work sheet before watching the film.

Before watching the film: discuss in pairs

- What do you know, or what can you find out, about John Wayne?
- 40 seconds into the film, pause it and talk about what you think has happened. Why do you think so? Where does the movie take place? What makes you think so? Describe the boy as well as you can and what you think his life is like. Try to motivate your thoughts.

After watching: discuss in groups of 2-3

1. What does R.I.P mean?
2. Why do you think Eric locks the door to his room?
3. What do you know about Jerry?
4. Eric's mother says: "You're paying your respect to your friend in a suit"! What would be a similar thing to say in Swedish?
5. Why do you think Eric does not want to wear a suit at the funeral?
6. Describe Eric's home.
7. Who was on the couch and what did Eric take from the table?
8. What do you think Eric's friends tell him before he answers: "Naaah, I'm good"?
9. Why do you think Eric does not want to go to the funeral? If your good friend died, do you think you would go to the funeral?
10. How did Jerry die?
11. Is Eric different or alike his friends? Explain.
12. Horses are often used as symbols. What do you think the horse symbolizes in this movie?
13. Discuss the horse's name - Chance. In the context of Eric's "hood" - what does "chance" mean?
14. Describe Eric's feeling when he realizes Chance is missing. Find synonyms and antonyms.
15. Describe his feelings when he finds Chance. Find synonyms and antonyms here, too.

After watching: be creative!

1. Write a very short story about friendship. Read it to some classmates.
2. Re-tell the story but from Chance's point of view.
3. Pretend you are Jerry, as a ghost. Write a letter to Eric.