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Lady Bird – Review

It's a coming-of-age story set in director Greta Gerwig's **hometown**, Sacramento, California, where Christine McPherson (Saoirse Ronan) is about to graduate from her Catholic high school and go to college. Which college? This is the question. Her mother, Marion (Laurie Metcalf) favours somewhere close and **affordable**. But Christine, who has **renamed** herself Lady Bird as a way of helping her to find what she imagines to be her "true identity", is set on escaping to the East Coast and a life of constant intellectual stimulation.



She has no doubt she'll get there in the end. The airy confidence Ronan displays in visualising this trajectory is one of the film's delights. Straight-backed with a direct and **unflinching** gaze, she deals with any obstacle by simply ignoring it – to the fury of her mother and the amusement of some of her teachers.

The action covers the lead-up to her **graduation** as she falls in and out of love, embarks on another **doomed** romance and comes close to dumping her best friend (Beanie Feldstein) because the class queen bee looks like admitting her to her clique. But the main game centres on her fractious relationship with Marion, who's as **stubborn** as she is.



No scene ever outstays its welcome and Gerwig can turn its mood on a single gesture. There's a scene in a shop where mother and daughter are searching for a dress for Lady Bird to wear to the school **prom**. As usual, they're bickering, but

suddenly Marion comes across the perfect choice and as she holds it up, hostilities cease and they're briefly united in a moment of whole-hearted **triumph**.

As teen movies go, it's supremely sophisticated, capturing and crystallising that moment in adolescence when it seems that life is at last about to start and the only place you want to be is **elsewhere**.



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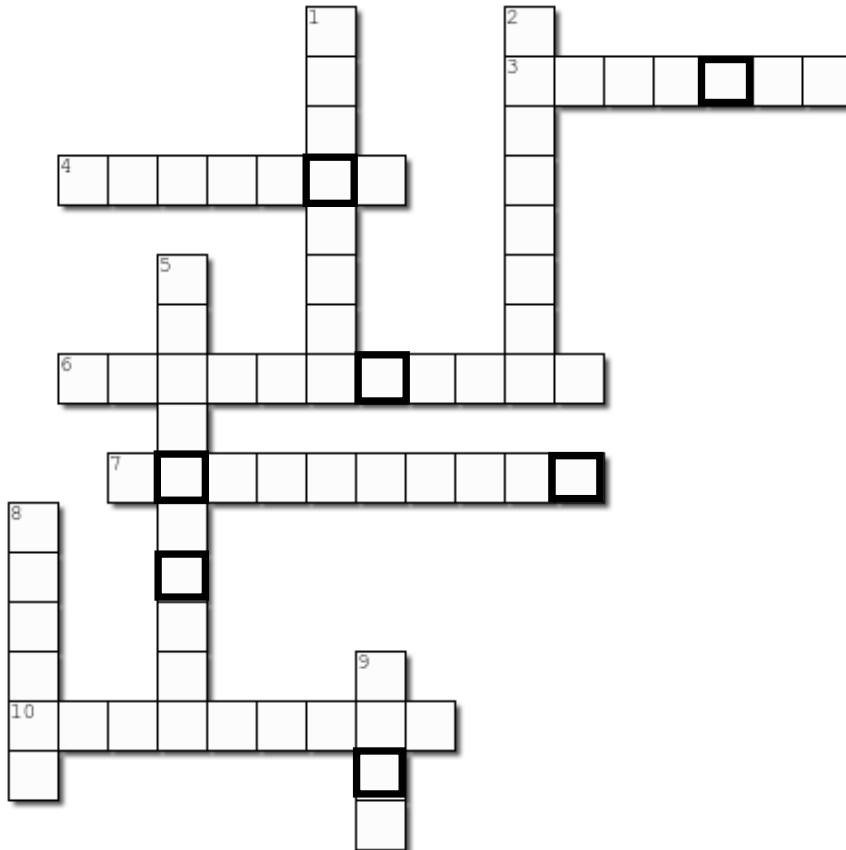
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Lady Bird – Crossword

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- 1) Completa els mots encreuats amb el vocabulari de la crítica.
- 2) Reuneix les lletres de les caselles en negreta i forma la paraula secreta.
- 3) Sigues el 1er en publicar la paraula al Facebook de Cambridge School www.facebook.com/CambridgeSchoolPage i guanyaràs 2 entrades per a una pel·lícula en VO al cinema OCINE de l'Altrium Sant Celoni (a recollir al cinema).



PARAULA SECRETA:

ACROSS

3. a great victory of success
4. named again as something else
6. not changing or stopping, despite difficulties
7. receiving a degree or other qualification after university or college
10. in or to another place or other places

DOWN

1. the place where you grow up
2. not willing to change your ideas or see things from other points of view
5. within your budget
8. certain to fail or not be a success
9. a dance for students at the end of secondary school



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