

# IMDb ratings importer

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## 1 Problem

I have movie ratings that I would like to import into IMDb. I also happen to know PHP. How can I do that?

## 2 Solution

In 2013 I wrote [IMDb ratings importer](#) for the purpose of importing ratings I had created in another system (Rotten Tomatoes). I wanted to import my ratings into IMDb so that I could use their statistics reporting tools, which let you see your distribution of ratings and the distribution of the release year of the movies you've seen. A friend of mine also had his bot send a message to our discussion channel whenever one of us would update their ratings after watching a movie.

The library is pretty straightforward. It expects you to provide it with a string that uniquely identifies your cookie on the server side. With an array of all the titles and ratings that you have, you can submit those ratings and the library's importer will take care of calling IMDb by finding the closest movie title and assigning it the desired rating.

## 3 References

- <https://github.com/tomzx/imdb-importer>