

# A Level Media Studies

Please complete one line from the task box below. All students must complete the middle box.

Prepare a short speech (2 mins) answering: "Has social media done more harm than good?" Include examples from real media cases.

Find two contrasting representations of the same group (e.g., women in Vogue vs. Daily Mail) and write a short reflection (300–500 words) on stereotypes, ideology, and effect on audiences.

Script and record a short podcast introducing yourself and your interest in media.

Mention a media product you love and why.

Watch a short film (or clip from Avengers, Harry Potter, etc.).
Write a paragraph explaining how Todorov's narrative theory and Propp's character types apply.

Choose any film poster and write a 300-word analysis exploring how media language (colour, layout, fonts, representation) is used to attract audiences.

Track your media consumption for 3 days. List everything you watch, scroll, play, read or listen to. Then categorise by platform (TV, social media, gaming, etc.) and reflect: What does this say about you as a media consumer?

Watch a music video (e.g. Billie Eilish, Stormzy, Taylor Swift, Harry Styles). Write a paragraph about how media language (camera, editing, mise-en-scène) creates meaning. Create a meme that comments on a current media issue (e.g. influencer culture, Al in media, cancel culture, fake news).
Underneath, write 100 words explaining the intended meaning.

Compare two newspaper front pages (tabloid vs. broadsheet) from the same date. How is the same story represented differently? What does this say about target audience or political bias?

### Useful resources/websites

#### **Exam Board Specification**

 https://www.eduqas.co.uk/media/d3fbs2s3/eduqas-a-level-media-studies-spec-f rom-2017-e-27-05-2021.pdf

#### **Set Text Revision Videos**

https://www.youtube.com/@mrsfisher8961

## Suggested books/reading list

- Media Theory for A Level: The Essential Revision Guide
- WJEC/Eduqas Media Studies for A Level Year 1 & AS: Student Book
- Documentary The Rise of the Murdoch Dynasty Available on BBC iPlayer
- Documentary The Sidemen Story Available on Netflix
- Documentary KSI: In Real Life Available on Amazon Prime Video
- Drama 'San Junipero' Black Mirror: Season 3, Episode 4 Netflix