



# Dallam School

## Media Studies Curriculum Overview

Department: Media Studies

Year Group: 12



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Half term 1	Half term 2	Half term 3	Half term 4	Half term 5	Half term 6
<b>Theme/ topic:</b> What is Media Studies? An Introduction.	<b>Theme/ topic:</b> Unit 10: Fictional Film Making (Coursework unit)	<b>Theme/ topic:</b> Unit 10: Fictional Film Making (Coursework unit)	<b>Theme/ topic:</b> Unit 1: Representations (Examination unit)	<b>Theme/ topic:</b> Unit 1: Representations (Examination unit)	<b>Theme/ topic:</b> Exam and continuation of Unit 10: Fictional Film Making
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<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Codes and conventions of genre</li> <li>Basics of narrative structure</li> <li>The difference between primary and secondary target audiences</li> <li>An introduction to moving image editing</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Investigate how conventions of narrative storytelling are used by filmmakers, looking at format and generic conventions.</li> <li>Create and gather materials in preparation for a film production</li> <li>Demonstrate a range of production elements, including camera, lighting, direction and sound</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Investigate how conventions of narrative storytelling are used by filmmakers, looking at format and generic conventions.</li> <li>Create and gather materials in preparation for a film production</li> <li>Demonstrate a range of production elements, including camera, lighting, direction and sound</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>An analysis of the use of stereotypes within the industry and exploring the reason of their use</li> <li>To understand the process of Reception Theory and be able to apply to a given media text</li> <li>To understand the Hypodermic Needle Theory and explore it in terms of passive audiences</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>An analysis of gender representation in the media, with reference to the Male Gaze Theory</li> <li>An analysis of the use of hegemony with the print media industry</li> <li>Thorough analysis of the use of semiotics within a media product</li> <li>Analysis of the production</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Revise and complete Unit 1: Representations external exam</li> <li>Lighting workshop</li> <li>Sound workshop</li> <li>Greenscreen workshop</li> <li>Continuation of Unit 10: Fictional Film Making unit.</li> </ul>

<p><b>Tier 3 vocab:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Genre and narrative</li> <li>• Hybrid genre</li> <li>• Technical codes, stylistic codes and written codes</li> <li>• Mise-en-scene</li> <li>• Semiotics</li> <li>• Propp's character theory</li> <li>• 3 act structure, equilibrium, disequilibrium and new equilibrium</li> <li>• Todorov's narrative theory</li> <li>• Primary and secondary target audiences, including audience demographic profiles and psychometric profiles</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• To use editing skills to a near-professional standard</li> <li>• To review and evaluate work thoroughly</li> </ul> <p><b>Tier 3 vocab:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• 3 act structure, equilibrium, disequilibrium and new equilibrium</li> <li>• Todorov's narrative theory</li> <li>• Storyboard, screenplay, camera scripts, location recce, treatment, risk assessment</li> <li>• Various new shot types, including long shot, mid shot, close up and their use of their codes LS, MS and CU.</li> <li>• Camera movement terminology, including tracking, crabbing, peds and panning</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• To use editing skills to a near-professional standard</li> <li>• To review and evaluate work thoroughly</li> </ul> <p><b>Tier 3 vocab:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• 3 act structure, equilibrium, disequilibrium and new equilibrium</li> <li>• Todorov's narrative theory</li> <li>• Storyboard, screenplay, camera scripts, location recce, treatment, risk assessment</li> <li>• Various new shot types, including long shot, mid shot, close up and their use of their codes LS, MS and CU.</li> <li>• Camera movement terminology, including tracking, crabbing, peds and panning</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• To understand the use of Uses and Gratifications theory and explore the reasons why we engage with different media texts</li> </ul> <p><b>Tier 3 vocab:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Stereotypes</li> <li>• Primary and secondary audiences and user generated content</li> <li>• Mass and niche audiences</li> <li>• Socio-economic groups</li> <li>• Passive, negotiated and oppositional audiences</li> <li>• Psychometrics, e.g. Mainstreamers, Aspirers, Succeeds, Resigned, Explorers, Strugglers, Reformers</li> <li>• Purpose, e.g. escapism, innovation, inspiration, critical acclaim</li> </ul>	<p>techniques and an exploration into the reasons why media is made for a specific audience</p> <p><b>Tier 3 vocab:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• 4 waves of feminism</li> <li>• Misogyny and objectification</li> <li>• Semiotics in terms of signs, symbols and signification</li> <li>• Connotation and denotation</li> <li>• Hegemony and influence, with a look at the political system</li> <li>• Various new shot types, including long shot, mid shot, close up and their use of their codes LS, MS and CU.</li> <li>• Camera movement terminology, including tracking, crabbing, peds and panning</li> </ul>	<p><b>Tier 3 vocab:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• All the key vocab from the previous 2 terms</li> <li>• High-key and low-key lighting</li> <li>• Diegetic and non-diegetic sounds</li> <li>• Chromakeying</li> </ul>
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<p>How to recognise the codes and conventions of several different genres, with a focus on mise-en-scene, semiotics and Propp's character theory.</p> <p>To recognise and develop a 3 act narrative structure and Todorov's narrative theory.</p> <p>To understand the basics of audience theory and be able to apply these skills to any given example.</p>	<p>To understand the codes and conventions of a fictional film production.</p> <p>Produce material for a fictional film of a specified genre.</p> <p>Apply post-production techniques to a fictional film utilising codes and conventions of a specified genre.</p>	<p>To understand the codes and conventions of a fictional film production.</p> <p>Produce material for a fictional film of a specified genre.</p> <p>Apply post-production techniques to a fictional film utilising codes and conventions of a specified genre.</p>	<p>How to develop an understanding of how stereotypes have been created for specific audiences and purposes.</p> <p>Learners will look at the use of Reception Theory across multiple different media products and will develop an understanding of the relationship between media products, their audiences and purpose, through analysis.</p> <p>Leaners will build on the above knowledge to consider passive audiences and how they are influenced, with reference to the Hypodermic Needle Theory.</p> <p>Explore the reasons why audiences engage with different pieces of media across 3 sectors: moving image, publishing and interactive media. The use of Uses and</p>	<p>Learners will develop an understanding of the relationship of gender across the media, with a consideration on how feminism has influenced the representations of females. The Male and Female Gaze are considered in terms of misogyny and objectification.</p> <p>Leaners will build on prior knowledge to consider passive audiences and how they are influenced, with reference to the Hegemony and our political system.</p> <p>Be able to apply these skills and theories learnt in this unit to a textual analysis across a multitude of sectors.</p>	<p>How to consolidate knowledge into the context of the exam.</p> <p>How to take part in workshops and classes where learners can develop practical techniques and skills.</p> <p>Be able to learn and apply new practical skills through experimenting, reflecting and refining to create a final product.</p> <p>To develop key skills, such as teamwork, time management and communication.</p> <p>To continue to produce material for a fictional film of a specified genre.</p> <p>To continue to apply post-production techniques to a fictional film utilising codes and conventions of a specified genre.</p>

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<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Develop</b> an understanding of codes and conventions</li> <li>• <b>Develop</b> an understanding of narrative theory</li> <li>• <b>Develop</b> an understanding of audience theory</li> <li>• <b>Apply</b> the above the any given example</li> <li>• <b>Develop</b> appropriate examples of the above</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Analyse</b> the narrative and stylistic codes and conventions of different film genres using detailed examples to illustrate points</li> <li>• <b>Consistently</b> demonstrate organised, professional working practices when producing material for fictional film production</li> <li>• Use post-production techniques <b>confidently</b> to create a final production that is creative within the codes and conventions of a genre</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Analyse</b> the narrative and stylistic codes and conventions of different film genres using detailed examples to illustrate points</li> <li>• <b>Consistently</b> demonstrate organised, professional working practices when producing material for fictional film production</li> <li>• Use post-production techniques <b>confidently</b> to create a final production that is creative within the codes and conventions of a genre</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Demonstrate</b> knowledge and understanding of media terminology, semiotics, theories, concepts and messages</li> <li>• <b>Apply</b> knowledge and understanding of media concepts, semiotics, theories and formal techniques to constructed representations</li> <li>• <b>Analyse</b> media texts to deconstruct representations and decode messages and evaluate their effectiveness and impact</li> <li>• <b>Make connections</b> between messages underpinning media representations and their related values and effects on wider society</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Demonstrate</b> knowledge and understanding of media terminology, semiotics, theories, concepts and messages</li> <li>• <b>Apply</b> knowledge and understanding of media concepts, semiotics, theories and formal techniques to constructed representations</li> <li>• <b>Analyse</b> media texts to deconstruct representations and decode messages and evaluate their effectiveness and impact</li> <li>• <b>Make connections</b> between messages underpinning media representations and their related values and effects on wider society</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Describe own development and application of skills and techniques</li> <li>• Explain own development and be able to identify strengths and areas of improvement</li> <li>• Analyse own development and set targets for improvement</li> </ul> <p>For Unit 10:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Analyse</b> the narrative and stylistic codes and conventions of different film genres using detailed examples to illustrate points</li> <li>• <b>Consistently</b> demonstrate organised, professional working practices when producing material for fictional film production</li> </ul>

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<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Develop ideas in response to a commissioned brief with ideas based on the required content proposed by the client</li> <li>Explanations of intent to respond to carry out the requirements of the brief</li> <li>Develop an understanding of the stages of all a commission</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Develop ideas in response to a brief which meet the needs of the client</li> <li>Develop planning materials in response to a brief with reference to the given target audience</li> <li>Apply media production skills and techniques to the plan a media product based on primary and secondary research</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li><i>Unit 8</i> - Revise and complete Unit 8: Responding to a Brief external exam</li> <li><i>Unit 4</i> - The importance of pre-production in a practical environment</li> <li>Gain an understanding of the requirements of the planning stage, from finance and logistics to regulations.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>The importance of pre-production in a practical environment</li> <li>Gain an understanding of the requirements of the planning stage, from finance and logistics to regulations.</li> <li>Develop the pre-production skills and experience needed to carry out your own tasks and</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>The importance of pre-production in a practical environment</li> <li>Gain an understanding of the requirements of the planning stage, from finance and logistics to regulations.</li> <li>Develop the pre-production skills and experience needed to carry out your own tasks and</li> </ul>	

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