

Birchwood High School

Media Studies Curriculum Map

	Autumn 1	Autumn 2	Spring 1	Spring 2	Summer 1	Summer 2
12	Topic: Introduction to media language (upskilling) and theory / Advertising (Media language and representation) Knowledge and skills Aesthetics Semiotics (Barthes/Hall) Binary oppositions Audience theory (Reception, cultivation and Uses & Gratification theories) Set Text: Tide Advertisement Advertising techniques Persuasive language Set Texts: Super Human advert Vriting comparatively — unseen advert	Topic: Component 1 – Music video Knowledge and skills Conventions of the form (Goodwin's theory) Context (Hurricane Katrina and Police brutality) Post-colonialism Postmodernism Set Texts: Beyoncé Formation Set Texts: Vance Joy – Riptide	Topic: Component 1 - Film Marketing & Radio (institutions and audiences) Knowledge and skills Genre – Social realism vs high concept Traditional marketing techniques Contemporary marketing techniques Key terminology Set Texts: IDB vs Black Panther Set Texts: Women's Hour	Topic: Component 1 – Newspapers / Gaming Knowledge and skills Media language Representation Audiences and institutions Set Texts: The Daily Mirror Set Texts: The Times Set Texts: Assassin's Creed Franchise	Topic: Component 3 NEA Brief Knowledge and skills Passport to practical skills Research Planning	Topic: Component 3 Coursework Knowledge and skills Student s work independently to complete their coursework (30% of overall grade)
	 Feminist Theory Set Texts: Kiss of the Vampire (film poster) Wk 8: Mid-term Assessment: Advertising (Comp 1: Section A & B) 	Wk 15: Full-term Assessment: Music Video (Comp 1: Section A)	Wk 21: Mid-term Assessment: Film and Marketing/Radio (Comp 1: Section B)	Wk 27: Full-term Assessment: Newspapers and Gaming (Comp 1: Section A & B)	Wk 32: Mid-term Assessment: Research & Planning (Comp 3)	Wk 36: EOY Assessments
13	Topic: Component 2: Section A - Black Mirror vs The Returned Knowledge and skills • Genre Theory • Postmodernism • Representation • Social contexts • Global Audiences	Topic: Component 2: Section B - Vogue vs The Big Issue Knowledge and skills • Conventions of the Form • Institutions: Independent vs mainstream • Historical/social context • Gender Representation • Identity	Topic: Component 2: Section C - KSI vs Attitude Knowledge and skills • Codes and conventions of the form (youtubers/websites) • The rise of 'we media' / changes in technology. • Construction of gender / identity.	Topic: Revision and Exam practice Knowledge and skills Guided Revision of component 1 set texts		
	Wk 6: Mid-term Assessment: Television in the Global Age	Wk 14: Full-term Assessment: Magazines (Comp 2: Section B)	Mid-term Assessment: Mock Exam (Comp 1 & 2)	Full-term Assessment: Practice paper		

(Comp 2: Section A)			