Long Term Plan: Media Studies



Learning Cycle Year 1	Knowledge and Skills	Vocabulary & Reading	Checking of understanding	Rationale
Autumn Term	Yr 12 Brain Dump Blowing the cobwebs off – what can we remember from yr 12 and what revision needs to take place moving forwards into yr 13?	See yr 12 LTP	Brain Dump mind maps, class discussion and whiteboard plans	There's no point in building a new house on shaky foundations – everything we do this year should build on the key concepts we cover in yr 12
	Postmodernism Exploration and discussion of the theory which suggests that nothing is real anymore and we are so saturated by media content that we don't know who we are. Marxism Vs Pluralism Exploration of two conflicting perspectives	McLuhan, Lyotard, Baudrillard, Levi Strauss, Simulacra, Hyper-reality, Implosion, Globalisation, Identity	Class deconstructions and discussion of examples, terminology quizzes, Kahoot, whiteboard recall, SOLO taxonomy, written Assignment: application to paper one CSPs and video game advertising	Postmodernism is a mind- expanding and perspective changing theory which can genuinely alter the way you see the world. It's a fun way to start yr13 which sets the bar high
	which attempt to explain the power that the media has in shaping our beliefs and values	Gramsci, Chomsky, Williams, Althusser, Hall, Shirky Ideological state apparatus, hegemony, the divided	Class discussion applying ideas to own consumption,	Initially covered separately, these theories invite students to attempt to simultaneously hold two conflicting perspectives and
	Audience Theories More detailed discussion around the effects debate; including investigation of numerous conflicting theories of audience	society, the bewildered heard vs Poststructuralism, the bookshop of the air, freedom of choice and user	terminology and theory quizzes, Kahoot, SOLO taxonomy, Assignment: Application to the Lego movie	use both to evaluate and negotiate their own responses to the argument Audience theories underpin
	Moral Panic Exploration of the media's tendency to distort reality and amplify threat NEA	generated content	g	many of the important media studies debates including issues surrounding representation and identity. Assessing the impact that the media has on
	Practical work continues in earnest this term alongside the theory	George Gerbner, Stuart Sall, David Morley, Clay Shirky, Katz & Lazerfield	Class deconstructions and discussion, terminology quizzes, Kahoot, whiteboard	audiences is a vital part of understanding the subject, ourselves and the world at large

		Desensitisation, copycatting, Cultivation, Mean world syndrome, Opinion leaders, two step theory, reception analysis, Prosumers, Mass amateurisation Cohen, Goode & Yahuda, Folk devils and Moral panic, Moral entrepreneurs, techno-panic	recall, SOLO taxonomy, mock exams & timed assessments Assignment: Application to CSPs, Class discussion, study of historical examples as well as looking for modern examples from own consumption	This is a very useful thing to know. If you can spot the stages of moral panic it can provide you with an unusually balanced and clear perspective on things that people often get unduly anxious about. Enhancing practical skills, and improving employability
		Desktop publishing, Website design, film editing, sound design	Self and peer evaluation is ongoing alongside constant live feedback, purple books used to record progress	
Spring Term	The digital revolution, Interactivity, life online and the evolution of video gaming	Clay Shirky, Charlie Brooker Interactivity, cross platform production, Web 2.0, Cyber realism, narrowcasting	Assignment: application to Paper Two CSPs on video gaming, online and social participatory	This area of study provides important perspective. We are living through the most significant change in the way we do things since the industrial revolution. We tend not to realise quite how fast things are changing when we're actually living it.
	Representation & Identity			
	Discussion of the role the media has in shaping our identity including	David Gauntlett, Stuart Hall	Class discussion and mind mapping linking theories and ideas together from term one, SOLO taxonomy	These sessions expand on ideas introduced earlier in the course but provide a different focus, allowing students to engage with the media's role in
	Feminism and Queer Theory		,	constructing (or reflecting) their
	A whistle-stop tour through a few hundred years of patriarchal hegemony, calling at	Naomi Wolfe, Angela		own identities.
	first, second and third wave feminism, post-	McRobbie, Germaine Greer,		

	feminist arguments, intersectionality and	Betty Friedan, Judith Butler,	Class discussion (and	You are either a feminist or you
	Queer theory	bell hooks, The beauty myth,	sometimes formal	don't fully understand what that
	,	the feminine sphere of	debate), application to	means or you're wrong. This unit
	Post Colonialism & Cultural Imperialism	consumption, the female	own examples,	attempts to remove all of the
	A similar exploration of the shifting nature of	eunuch, the feminine	assignments linking to	unsuitable options for students.
	modern hegemony through the prism of	mystique, gender fluidity	paper one and paper 2	·
	race	and performance,	CSPs (usually with a	Gilroy suggests that the media is
		intersectionality	lifestyle focus)	made almost exclusively from a
	NEA	·	,	white perspective. White
	Practical projects and supporting	Paul Gilroy, Edward Said,		audiences tend not to notice
	paperwork conclude and are submitted	Double Consciousness,	Class discussion and	this (and they should)
	earlier in this term	Orientalism and othering,	deconstruction of	
		diaspora	examples, mind	The importance of turning work
			mapping to connect to	in to a specific pre-ordained
		Deadlines, Evaluation	earlier theories, Mock	deadline means students will;
			exams & timed	have to manage their own time
			assessments	and resources preparing
				themselves for the potential
			Self and peer assessment	world of work in a creative
				industry
Summer	Paper Two CSPs	The areas for paper two are	Class discussion and	This is how you get your marks in
Term	Most of these will be initially covered earlier	TV Crime Drama	analysis, students to	this subject – applying
	in the year alongside pertinent theories	Video Games	create revision resources,	everything you've learnt to the
		Lifestyle magazines	essays and exam	texts the exam board has
		Online, social and	questions, timed	selected. As the name suggests,
		participatory	responses and mock	we study these things closely
		Reading focuses on	exams	because ultimately they will be
		contextual information for		the focus of the exam
		the CSPs		
	Tying it all together			
	Making connections, extended abstract	See all of the above	SOLO taxonomy (giant	All of these concepts, theories
	application and evaluation, as well as some	(including yr 12 long term	scale), Mind mapping,	and debates attempt to
	good old-fashioned revision	plan)	essay planning (in class,	understand the influence and
			group work and	the role of the media. Everything
			individual), construction	connects to everything else and
			and refining of personal	part of the revision process is

	Revision resources, timed essays, mock exams, self-evaluation and assessment	looking for the synaptic corridors between all of these synoptic ideas. We aim to produce holistic, reflective and critically autonomous media consumers who can take these ideas with them whichever direction they elect to travel next and experience the media (and the world) differently. This final term allows us to check we've achieved that and to fill in any gaps that may be there from the journey thus far.
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