

## How You Can Help Your Child Revise Effectively... A Level Media Studies

For some of our students, formal exams have been something they have not completed regularly or at all. We are aware that all students have had significant disruption over the last two years. In order to support you to support them effectively at home, we would like to give you the following information:

The Topics your child will be tested on are:

- MEDIA LANGUAGE: Signifiers/signified meanings, Baudrillard's ideas of simulation and hyperreality
- MEDIA REPRESENTATIONS: Representations of power
- MEDIA INDUSTRIES: Effect of new technology on production and distribution
- MEDIA AUDIENCES: Socialisation, moral panic, audience response theory
- PRODUCTS: Unseen advertisement, Score advertisement, Letter to the Free, Maybelline, War of the Worlds and Blinded by the Light.

Recommended revision sites/resources:

- FROG Media Studies site
- EMC Media Mag <https://www.englishandmedia.co.uk/media-magazine/mmag-login/> (School Username/password: *mediasa/media*)
- <https://www.essentialmediatheory.com/>
- <https://jpgayfordefm.wordpress.com/media/>
- Podcast explaining your 'War of the Worlds' CSP content and context: <https://www.wnycstudios.org/podcasts/radiolab/articles/war-worlds>
- Media library/textbooks available from Mrs King or Mrs Pickering.

Hints and Tips:

- Make sure you annotate the unseen product before answering Q1
- All 20 mark responses are essays and will need planning, an introduction and a conclusion – you are also being assessed on your ability to construct an argument here!
- When asked about two products within one question, you do not need to compare them, but you do need to make links between them
- Revise what the word 'ideological' means.

Mock exam dates: 31/10/22 to 11/11/22