

A Level Media Studies

Element 1

The A Level syllabus we follow (eduqas 603/1149/6) asks students to explore media texts in detail. In order to become familiar with these in advance of starting the course, please watch the specified episode of both of these television programmes.

The Returned

(France)

Season 1, Episode 1: 'Camille' (2012)

Original Broadcaster: Canal+ (France)

UK Broadcaster: Channel 4

Humans

(UK/US)

Series 1, Episode 1 (2015)

Original Broadcasters: Channel 4 (UK) AMC (US)

Element 2

30% of the course is assessed through non-examined practical coursework. There are numerous options for this so over the Summer please try one out. Your goal is to create a finished product using whatever technology you have available (your phone is perfectly adequate for this).

Here are your options:

1. Create a music video
2. Create a poster for a fictional or existing film (all images must be your own)
3. Create a television sequence

This exercise is to get you thinking about skills you need to develop and which type of coursework production you will enjoy the most. Have fun making these; they do not have to look incredibly professional or polished.