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History (Specification A)

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Schools History Project
Unit 4 Option B: Media Through Time (Short Course)

Sources Booklet

Sources A to C for use in answering Question 1

Source A**A fifteenth century illustration of a monk copying a book**

Books at the time were copied in monasteries. During the Middle Ages literacy and learning gradually increased. Some historians think that by the fifteenth century perhaps a third of the population could read and write.



Source B**A photograph of a family in the early 1950s listening to their radio**

The radio first became a popular form of mass communication in the 1930s when sound quality was improved. The price of radios fell during the 1930s but they were still too expensive for many poorer families. This had changed by the end of the Second World War when cheap radios became available to most families. The 1950s became known as the 'golden age of radio'.



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Source C

The front page of BBC News Online from 11 September 2001

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