

## **GCSE**

# **Media Studies**

Unit **B322:** Textual Analysis and Media Studies Topic (Moving Image)

General Certificate of Secondary Education

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## **Annotations**

Annotation	Meaning
3	Only 3 bullets
?	Unclear
E	Characterisation or generic conventions (for Question 3)
CON	No connotation
×	Incorrect point (use carefully)
NO	No channel
ND	No day
NE	No example
P	No pleasures
5	No 'Stereotype'
T	No time
Те	Only 1 text
	Tick

#### **Subject-specific Marking Instructions**

#### The purpose of this unit is to assess candidates' ability to:

Recall, select and communicate their knowledge and understanding of media products and the contexts in which they are produced and consumed (AO1).

Analyse and respond to media texts/topics using media key concepts and appropriate terminology (AO2).

## **Assessment Objectives Grid (includes QWC)**

Question	AO1	AO2	Total
Section A	10	40	50
Section B	22	8	30
Totals	32	48	80

### These are broken down by question as follows:

**Q1 3 marks** AO1 knowledge of generic conventions

7 marks AO2 textual analysis

Q2 20 marks AO2 textual analysis

**Q3 7 marks** AO1 knowledge of representation issues:

**13 marks** AO2 textual analysis

Q4 22 marks AO1 knowledge and understanding of TV or radio comedy texts, TV or radio channels and scheduling, and audience pleasures

8 marks AO2 textual analysis

10 Level 4 (8–10 marks) Explains two generic narrative features Shows thorough understanding of appropriate generic conventions ideas and arguments supported by evidence Precise and accurate use of terminology ideas expressed clearly and fluently in well-structured sentences with few, if any, errors of spelling, punctuation and grammar.  Level 3 (6–7 marks) States two generic narrative features Shows sound understanding of appropriate generic conventions Offers sound textual evidence (at the top) Ideas expressed with some clarity and fluency; errors of spelling, punctuation and grammar do not obscure meaning.  Level 2 (3–5 marks) States at least one generic narrative feature Shows some understanding of generic conventions Offers some textual evidence (at the top) Simple ideas expressed appropriately but possibly with some errors of spelling, punctuation and grammar that obscure meaning.  Level 2 (3–5 marks) States at least one generic narrative feature Shows some understanding of generic conventions Offers some textual evidence (at the top) Simple ideas expressed appropriately but possibly with some errors of spelling, punctuation and grammar that obscure meaning.  10  Annotation instructions: Tick bottom of page in to conventions mentioned in passing Double tick any conventions mentioned in passing Double tick any conventions mentioned in passing Double tick any conventions dearly established as a convention two double ticks for explicit understanding of typicality/heroic conventions.  Level 3 (6–7 marks) States two generic narrative features Shows sound understanding of appropriate generic conventions.  Level 3 (6–7 marks) States two generic narrative features Shows some understanding of appropriate generic conventions with exemplification or conventions.  Level 3 answers will identify two conventional elements: two single or double ticks)  At the bottom of the band this identification may be very brief and may not suggest generic typicality  Textual exemplification or double tick(s) for a sense of generic co	Question	Answer	Marks	Guidance
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	Level 1 (0–2 marks) Describes some aspects of the text Some simple ideas expressed with errors of spelling, punctuation and grammar that obscure meaning. Writing may also lack legibility.		Level 1 answers will not state any element of the film that fits the generic conventions – they might simply describe the events in the extract (e.g. 'There is a man/woman, he/she does this').  Examples of conventional features:  • hero  • underhand villain  • good versus evil  • jeopardy – a chase  • stunts  • exotic location  • violence (allow 'guns' if linked to conflict/violence)  • hero's sidekick (not just 'sidekick')
2		20	Annotation instructions: Use NE or CON where there is no example or no connotation analysis. Do not tick if the example or connotation is completely missing (e.g. 'the music connotes violence' is a connotation without an example, 'there is a close up on Ronson's wound' is an example without connotation).  Single tick  • any specific example with limited connotation analysis (e.g. an effect on the audience that implies a connotation – 'keeps the audience on the edge of their seats', for example).  • effective connotation analysis where the example is a little vague (e.g. 'the sound intensifies, 'there is cross—cutting in the extract', 'there are close ups on faces')  Double tick any specific example that comes with an effective connotation analysis (e.g. 'the soundtrack changes as Bond leaves the corridor as the music becomes more exotic and the sound of the crowd swells to connote the busyness of the street').

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	Level 4 (16–20 marks) Comprehensive range of examples (all bullet points accurate) Detailed analysis of textual evidence from the extract Precise and accurate use of terminology Thorough understanding of connotative effect Ideas expressed clearly and fluently in well—structured sentences with few, if any, errors of spelling, punctuation and grammar.		Level 4 answers will typically offer more than one example, accurately described, with effective connotative analysis, for each bullet point.  17–20 marks An answer with two double ticks for 4 bullets 16 marks An answer with two double ticks for 3 bullets and one double tick for 1 bullet
	Level 3 (12–15 marks) Comprehensive range of examples (all bullet points attempted) Offers sound textual evidence from the extract Some accurate use of terminology Sound understanding of connotative effect Ideas expressed with some clarity and fluency; errors of spelling, punctuation and grammar do not obscure meaning.		Level 3 answers:  15 marks An answer with two double ticks for 2 bullets and one double tick for 2 bullets  14 marks An answer with two double ticks for 1 bullet and one double tick for 3 bullets  13 marks An answer with a double tick for 4 bullets  12 marks An answer with one double tick for 3 bullets, but not if the candidate clearly does not understand what the fourth media language element means (e.g. discusses mise en scène under editing) – such answers remain in Level 2.
	Level 2 (6–11 marks) Attempts at least three bullet points Offers some textual evidence from the extract Limited use of terminology Some understanding of connotative effect (at the top end of the band) Some simple ideas expressed appropriately but possibly with some errors of spelling, punctuation and grammar that obscure meaning.		Level 2 answers:  11 marks An answer with at least a single tick for at least 3 bullets 10 marks An answer with at least a single tick for 2 bullets plus an attempt at a third 9 marks An answer with at least a single tick for 1 bullet plus an attempt at two others 8 marks No ticks, but one or more examples given without connotation 6 or 7 marks No ticks – no examples but understands the terms used to describe some bullets
	Level 1 (0–5 marks) Attempts one or two bullet points Describes some aspects of the extract Some simple ideas expressed with errors of spelling, punctuation and grammar that obscure meaning. Writing may also lack legibility.		Level 1 answers: 5 marks No examples but understands one bullet 4 marks No examples but implicit understanding of one bullet 1 – 3 marks Some description of the extract

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			Look for specific examples. The following are <b>not</b> specific examples, but show level 2 understanding of the media language element):  - 'there is a variety of shot types used'  - there are long shots, medium shots, and close ups'  - 'continuity editing is used'  - 'there are cuts between shots'  - 'there is fast paced editing' (with no reference to a specific sequence)  - 'there is music throughout'  Do not double tick examples where it is not completely clear which part of the extract is being analysed, but single tick where this is heavily implied. <b>Soundtrack</b> The description of sound as 'diegetic' or 'non-diegetic' does not count as an example.  Do not double tick examples where the term 'soundtrack' is used to mean 'music'.
			Accept:      Use of M's voice compressed as if over an earpiece     Use of suspense music early in the extract in the apartment     Use of more rhythmic, Middle–Eastern music as Bond enters the street     Sound effects of people shouting as the car hits the street stalls     Sound effects of cars colliding     Exaggerated gunfire and windows smashing     Motorcycle sound effects     The music climaxes as the motorcycles crash through the window     Any other relevant example.

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			Editing Only accept answers other than visual editing if there is an explicit link made to the editing process (so soundtrack elements, for example, should only be rewarded if there is a clear explanation that they are post–production sound effects).  Use your professional judgment about whether or not a CGI example shows understanding of editing – contact your team leader if in doubt.  The term 'jump cut' should only be rewarded where there is a
			clear breach of continuity editing. There are no jump cuts in this extract so use of the term may be marked with a cross.  Accept:  A Shot reverse shot between Ronson and Bond  Cross cutting between the London office and Istanbul  Increased pace of editing as we head towards the collision between the cars  Shot reverse shot as Bond and Patrice shoot at each other  Any other relevant example.
			Do not accept:  Jump cuts  Mise en scène  This media language element can lead to very descriptive answers (e.g. 'there is a man on a motorbike, he is in a foreign city') so reward explanation of connotative effects.
			<ul> <li>Candidates might comment on:</li> <li>α) The contrast between the blue light and dull interior of the London office and the bright sunshine and dusty colours of the Istanbul streets</li> <li>β) The low key expressionistic lighting as Bond finds Ronson (accept low key or dim lighting, but not dark lighting)</li> </ul>

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			<ul> <li>χ) The relative size of the guns</li> <li>δ) The use of spectacle, e.g. the rooftop chase</li> <li>Camerawork</li> <li>Accept:</li> <li>Δ The close up on Bond as he gives Ronson a caring look</li> <li>Δ Low angle on Bond as he leaves Ronson</li> <li>Δ The long tracking shot down the corridor</li> <li>Δ Tracking shots of the cars and the motorcycles</li> <li>Δ Point of view, e.g. the shot of Patrice's car from the Landrover</li> <li>Δ Low angle shot of the motorcycle crash</li> <li>Δ Over the shoulder shot of Eve smashing the windscreen</li> <li>Δ Aerial/helicopter shot of the rooftop race</li> <li>Δ Hand held camera during the motorbike chase</li> <li>Δ Any other relevant example.</li> <li>Do not accept:</li> <li> Zooming</li> <li> Panning for the rooftop shots</li> </ul>
3		20	Annotation instructions: Use the 'S' annotation for no use of the term 'stereotyping'.  Single tick use of the term stereotype with ineffective representation analysis Single tick stereotyping analysis with no use of the term Single tick representation analysis (e.g. positive and negative representations) with no stereotyping reference Do not tick characterisation or generic conventions – use C  Double tick effective use of the term stereotype or counter—stereotype or anti—stereotype

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	Level 4 (16–20 marks)		Level 4 answers:
	Discusses a range of representation issues in the		A series of double ticks for an in-depth discussion of how one
	extract, or discusses one or more issues in depth		group is represented (stereotypically, non-stereotypically, or
	Shows thorough understanding of appropriate		anti/counter-stereotypically);
	representation issues		OR
	Offers a range of textual evidence from the extract		Double ticks across a range of social groups (three or more).
	that exemplifies these issues		
	Ideas expressed clearly and fluently in well-		The specification suggests groups defined by: age, gender,
	structured sentences with few, if any, errors of		ethnicity, body types, class, region and nationality. The paper
	spelling, punctuation and grammar.		also suggests: gender, race and nationality and Istanbul and
			London. Reward any relevant representation analysis, on or off
	Level 3 (12–15 marks)		the list.
	Clearly identifies at least one representation issue in		
	the extract		Answers with effective discussion of ideology as well as the above
	Shows sound understanding of appropriate		will usually reach the top of this level. However, an answer can
	representation issues – accurate use of the term		reach full marks without doing this.
	'stereotyping'		
	Offers textual evidence from the extract that		Level 3 answers will display a clear understanding of
	exemplifies these issues		stereotyping.
	Ideas expressed with some clarity and fluency;		<b>14 – 15 marks</b> Double ticks for representation analysis for
	errors of spelling, punctuation and grammar do not		analysis of:
	obscure meaning.		more than one group
			<ul> <li>more than one facet of any one group</li> </ul>
	Level 2 (6–11 marks)		12 –13 marks At least one double tick (but very underdeveloped
	Describes aspects of representation in the extract		answers may only reach Level 2)
	Shows some limited understanding of representation		
	issues – uses the concept of stereotyping or the term		Level 2 answers:
	itself		<b>10 – 11 marks</b> A series of single ticks for the use of 'stereotype'
	Offers some textual evidence from the extract		or 'stereotyping', but solely in relation to <i>characterisation</i> (e.g. 'the
	Simple ideas expressed appropriately but possibly		villain is stereotypically evil and cunning') or generic conventions
	with some errors of spelling, punctuation and		(e.g. 'stereotypically, there is a hero')
	grammar that obscure meaning.		8 – 9 marks
			Single ticks for understanding of stereotyping without using the
	Level 1 (0-5 marks)		term itself (e.g. 'the hero is male and strong, like most heroes')
	Describes some aspects of the extract		OR
	Shows no or minimal understanding of		Single ticks for representation analysis (e.g. positive and negative

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	representation issues – no reference to stereotyping Offers minimal textual evidence from the extract Some simple ideas expressed with errors of spelling, punctuation and grammar that obscure meaning. Writing may also lack legibility.		representations) with no stereotyping reference 6 – 7 marks  Very underdeveloped answers showing some understanding of representation or stereotyping  Level 1 answers will neither use the term nor the concept of stereotyping. They are likely to describe the extract. 4 – 5 marks Some textual description and minimal understanding of representation 1 – 3 marks No understanding of representation and very little textual description  Candidates should recognise the  anti–stereotypical representation of leadership by an elderly woman, breaking norms of male dominance  the male hero role using stereotypical ideals of masculinity.  They might also comment on:  the stereotypical representation of Istanbul as an exotic tourist destination contrasted to workaday London  the stereotypical representation of English people as heroes Bond anti–stereotypically allowing a young woman to drive him out of trouble, breaking norms of male dominance  the stereotypical reassertion of male dominance as Bond takes over the steering wheel  MI6 is represented as an equal opportunities employer and/or a token black actor is employed  Some candidates might note the slightly knowing nature of the representation.
4 (a)	Level 4 (12–15 marks) Discusses the scheduling of a comedy Precise and accurate use of terminology Shows detailed knowledge of TV or radio channels and scheduling with understanding of how	15	Annotation instructions: Tick the box to show all three of day/time/channel Use T (no time), N0 (no channel), or ND (no day) to show missing element in the box (delete if found later in the answer)

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	programmes reflect institutional contexts Thorough understanding of how channels use scheduling to reach audiences		<b>Double tick</b> explanations showing clear institutional knowledge or knowledge of scheduling
	Ideas expressed clearly and fluently in well– structured sentences with few, if any, errors of		Single tick weaker explanations (e.g. in terms of audience habits)
	spelling, punctuation and grammar.		Answers that discuss scheduling other than that stated in the box (e.g. scheduling on a variety of channels or historical scheduling infomation) should only be rewarded insofar as they throw light on
	Level 3 (9–11 marks) Accurately describes and evaluates the scheduling		the scheduling stated in the box.
	of a comedy		Level 4 answers:
	Some accurate use of terminology		Double ticks for <i>all</i> elements of the question:
	Shows sound knowledge of TV or radio channels		the fit between institution and text
	and scheduling with some understanding of how		2. the scheduling of the text – both time and day
	programmes reflect institutional contexts		Answers that discuss other programmes in the schedule or
	Sound understanding of how channels use		counter-programming can be considered to have addressed both
	scheduling to reach audiences		day and time.
	Ideas expressed with some clarity and fluency;		Level 3 answers:
	errors of spelling, punctuation and grammar do not		10 – 11 marks Predominantly double ticks but not all elements of
	obscure meaning.		the question covered  9 marks Mix of double and single ticks
	Level 2 (4–8 marks)		o marks with or double and single tioks
	Describes the scheduling of a comedy		Level 2 answers:
	Limited use of terminology		8 marks Some single ticks or one double tick (e.g. for accurate
	Shows some knowledge of TV or radio channels and		use of 'watershed')
	scheduling		6 – 7 marks At least one single tick for an attempt to explain
	Some understanding of how channels use		scheduling
	scheduling to reach audiences		5 marks Attempts to explain scheduling – no ticks
	Simple ideas expressed appropriately but possibly		4 marks Complete scheduling information
	with some errors of spelling, punctuation and		
	grammar that obscure meaning.		Answers with incomplete scheduling information <i>can</i> reach this
			band if the answer shows knowledge of scheduling (especially if
	Level 1 (0–3 marks)		the scheduling information is vague). They are unlikely to exceed
	Partially describes the scheduling of a comedy		6 marks unless the scheduling knowledge is very detailed.
	Shows minimal knowledge of TV or radio channels and scheduling		Vague descriptions of the <i>channel</i> include: 'on the BBC', 'on Sky',
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	Some simple ideas expressed with errors of spelling, punctuation and grammar that obscure meaning. Writing may also lack legibility.		or if the channel is not stated but is heavily implied by naming other programmes.  Vague descriptions of the time might include: 'in the evening', 'after the watershed'.  Vague descriptions of the day might include: the date of transmission, 'every day' (but do allow 'weekdays', or 'every weekday').  Level 1 answers will attempt to describe scheduling but this will be inaccurate or very incomplete  Answers using a text or that is clearly not a comedy programme (e.g. soap operas) can reach low level 2, under the 'best fit' principle.  Answers that demonstrate understanding of scheduling but do not apply this understanding to a specific text can also reach low level 2, under the 'best fit' principle, but no higher.
(b)	Level 4 (12–15 marks) Shows detailed knowledge of audience pleasures Thorough understanding of how programmes offer audience pleasures Detailed and appropriate exemplification Ideas expressed clearly and fluently in well– structured sentences with few, if any, errors of spelling, punctuation and grammar.	15	Annotation instructions:  Double tick a pleasure established with exemplification – tick the pleasure when first stated, then add the second tick in the same place when satisfied with the exemplification  Do not reward the same pleasure more than once per programme Single tick a pleasure with no exemplification  Use P if no pleasures established for a text  Level 4 answers:  14–15 As below, plus a focused discussion of the similarities and/or differences between the pleasures offered by two programmes  12–13 Double ticks predominate for analysis of two or more audience pleasures with detailed textual exemplification.

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	Level 3 (9–11 marks) Shows sound knowledge of different audience pleasures Sound understanding of how programmes offer audience pleasures Relevant textual exemplification (with some detail at the top of the band) Ideas expressed with some clarity and fluency; errors of spelling, punctuation and grammar do not obscure meaning.  Level 2 (4–8 marks) Shows knowledge of one or two audience pleasures Basic understanding of how at least one programme offers audience pleasures Some textual exemplification (at the top of the band) Some ideas expressed appropriately but possibly with some errors of spelling, punctuation and grammar that obscure meaning  Level 1 (0–3 marks) Describes one or two texts Some simple ideas expressed with errors of spelling, punctuation and grammar that obscure meaning.  Writing may also lack legibility.		Level 3 answers must cover two pleasures and two texts: 10 – 11 marks Some double ticks 9 marks Series of single ticks for: Answers that fail to give specific textual detail but with a sound knowledge of pleasures OR Lack of specific detail (such as character description or vague outlines of the texts as a whole).  Discussion of different types of comedy (e.g. visual comedy, slapstick comedy, verbal comedy, black comedy, satire) counts as one pleasure, unless the answer touches upon other pleasures in the course of this discussion.  Level 2 answers may only cover one pleasure or one text: 7 – 8 marks Some limited exemplification of at least one pleasure. 5 – 6 marks Some understanding of pleasure(s) with no exemplification 4 marks One pleasure poorly stated, e.g. 'being funny'.  Answers using a text or texts that are clearly not comedy programmes (e.g. soap operas) can reach level 2, but they must discuss pleasures that are offered by comedy programmes.  Level 1 answers will typically describe the text(s).

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