

# Tuesday 16 May 2023 – Afternoon

# **AS Level Media Studies**

H009/01 Media today

Time allowed: 2 hours



### You must have:

• the OCR 12-page Answer Booklet

#### **INSTRUCTIONS**

- · Use black ink.
- Write your answer to each question in the Answer Booklet. The question numbers must be clearly shown.
- · Fill in the boxes on the front of the Answer Booklet.
- Answer all the questions.

#### **INFORMATION**

- The total mark for this paper is 70.
- The marks for each question are shown in brackets [ ].
- Quality of extended response will be assessed in questions marked with an asterisk (\*).
- This document has 8 pages.

#### **ADVICE**

· Read each question carefully before you start your answer.

Source A – front cover of *The Big Issue* (issue 1506, 28 March 2022)



**Source A** is the front cover of *The Big Issue* (28 March 2022). It features Russell Brand, an English writer, broadcaster, YouTuber and comedian who has been active since the early 2000s. It also refers to rock band Muse and the popular Channel 4 sitcom *Derry Girls*.

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#### **SECTION A**

## **The Media Theoretical Framework**

Explain how economic contexts can influence the film industry.
 Use Disney's *The Jungle Book* (2016) to support your answer.

[5]

2 Analyse how the front cover of *The Big Issue* (**Source A**) uses media language to appeal to audiences.

[10]

3 Explain how issues of control and ownership can influence the content of public service broadcast (PSB) radio. Use *The Radio One Breakfast Show* (*R1BS*) to support your answer. **[10]** 

#### **SECTION B**

# **Long Form Television Drama**

In this question use your knowledge and understanding from your full course of study, including different areas of the theoretical framework and media contexts.

Use **examples** from the long form television drama you have studied.

Long Form Television Dramas
Mr Robot: (eps1.0_hellofriend.mov', season 1, episode 1, June 2015)
House of Cards: ('Chapter 1', season 1, episode 1, January 2013)
Homeland: (season 1, episode 1, October 2011)
Stranger Things: ('The Vanishing of Will Byers', season 1, episode 1, July 2016)

**4\*** 'The codes and conventions of long form television dramas are influenced by the need to appeal to an active audience.'

Discuss how far you agree with this statement in relation to the set episode of the long form television drama you have studied.

In your answer you must:

- · explain the relationship between active audiences and long form television drama
- analyse how the need to appeal to different types of audience has influenced the key codes and conventions in the set episode you have studied
- use relevant academic ideas and arguments in your analysis
- make judgements and reach conclusions about how far you agree with the statement.

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#### **SECTION C**

#### **News and Online Media**

Study Sources B and C and then answer Questions 5 and 6.

**Source B** – Front page of the *Daily Mail* (17 April 2021)



Revealed: Queen's poignant farewell

THE Queen will say a private farewell to Prince Philip before his coffin leaves Windsor Castle for today's funeral.
The monarch, 94, will take a

By **Rebecca English** Royal Editor

moment to reflect at the duke's side ahead of his final journey to St George's Chapel. Sources say she has been the

'epitome of dignity' this week as she deals with the loss of her hus-band of 73 years, and has insisted on personally signing off final preparations for the 3pm service. Buckingham Palace has shared a touching unseen picture of the

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**Source B** is the front page of the *Daily Mail*, a right-wing UK tabloid newspaper.

**Source C** is the front page of the *Daily Mirror*, a left-wing UK tabloid newspaper.

The newspapers were published before the death of Queen Elizabeth II. The main headlines refer to the funeral of her husband Prince Philip.

**Source B** also refers to Helen McCrory, an actor best-known for the *Harry Potter* films and the TV series *Peaky Blinders*.

5\* To what extent do **Source B** and **Source C** construct identities?

In your answer you must:

- analyse and compare the ways in which identities are constructed in Source B and Source C
- use relevant contexts and academic ideas and arguments in your analysis
- draw judgements and conclusions in relation to the question.

[15]

**6** Explain how political and economic contexts can influence the distribution and circulation of newspapers in a global context. Use *Telegraph Online* to support your answer.

In your answer you must:

- consider relevant political and economic contexts that can influence the global distribution of newspapers
- use your knowledge and understanding of relevant academic ideas and arguments
- use *Telegraph Online* as an example of how newspapers are distributed and circulated in a global context.

[10]

#### **END OF QUESTION PAPER**



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