

**Media Studies**

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| **Key skills developed in this work:*** Research skills
* Creative development skills
* Analytical skills
* Media Studies terminology
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| **Research work:**Research different camera angles and the effects each one creates. Take 10 staged photos from different angles, and caption them explaining which angle you used and the effect you intended to create. Research what is meant by mise-en-scene. Find some screenshots online which reflect different genres and explain how they use mise-en-scene to mirror the genre.Research the current issues faced in the movie industry and the music industry. Bullet point them and bring them to your first class. Then, research how each of those industries has changed over the past 20 years and why.Research the US box office figures. What has happened since 2018? What do you notice about the type of movies being released? |

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| **Website links:**<https://www.studiobinder.com/blog/types-of-camera-shot-angles-in-film/><https://www.filmtake.com/distribution/from-blockbusters-to-bust-why-the-film-industry-is-fading-fast/> |

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| **Appropriate additional reading:**<https://www.bbc.com/news/world-us-canada-68515779><https://www.businessinsider.com/disney-snow-white-opening-weekend-box-office-woke-backlash-controversy-2025-3><https://www.dailymail.co.uk/tvshowbiz/article-14528725/snow-white-live-action-movie-box-office-backlash.html><https://motionpicture.edu/socialcinema/2023/06/19/the-impact-of-streaming-services-on-the-movie-industry/>https://imusician.pro/en/resources/blog/music-trends-2025-our-predictions-and-what-to-expect-as-an-artist-and-fan#:~:text=Based%20on%20the%20final%20Billboard,also%20remain%20on%20the%20rise. |

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| **Tasks to complete:*** Create a short movie or music video (2 minute maximum) for a genre of your choice. You should film it with a phone and edit it using a free editing app (CapCut is fine).
* Watch the opening sequence of at least three different horror movies from the 1980s. What do they all have in common? What is different about them?
* Write a 100-word explanation about the differences between production and distribution companies.
* After researching the big 5, what are their highest grossing movies? Use the USA Box Office figures, not global.

You will need to bring all of this work, including your research work, to your first Media Studies lesson. |