A-level
MEDIA STUDIES

Unit 3 Critical Perspectives

Instructions for Invigilators

These instructions must be used in conjunction with the regulations and general instructions for the June 2016 GCE Examinations.

Centres are sent one copy of the DVD per 20 candidates plus one spare copy. If you require further copies please contact AQA.

Centres are reminded that this is an unseen examination. The DVDs must not be opened or checked until the day of the examination. All information about the content of this DVD must remain confidential.

The Use of the DVD in the Examination

Prior to the start of the examination, distribute the Question Papers and Answer Books. Before starting the DVD give candidates two minutes to read both the front page and page two of the examination paper. Inform candidates that the DVD will be played only once. It will show the media products three times. (Approximate running time 15 minutes.)

The viewing and intervals have been recorded on the DVD in line with the instructions to the candidates on the examination paper. Once started, the DVD should be played through to the end without interruption. Candidates should then begin writing their responses. The invigilator is not required to time intervals.

From the DVD menu select one of the following options: Standard Version or Subtitled Version (for candidates with hearing difficulties).

There is an introduction informing candidates of the format of the DVD. You will be instructed to pause the DVD to ensure that all candidates are able to see and hear clearly. The DVD should be restarted as quickly as possible and run to the end. The timing of the examination begins when the DVD is started.

At the end of viewing, candidates are advised to spend 45 minutes writing their response to Section A and then one hour on their response to Section B. At the end of the examination collect the scripts and dispatch to the examiner.
Candidates must be warned before the start of the examination that they may not ask for any of the DVD to be replayed nor talk with other candidates. Once the DVD has been started no attempt should be made to play for a second time any part which may have been obscured because of noise outside. If any serious interference of this kind occurs during the playing of the DVD, AQA should be informed by letter. If there is a serious emergency in the room (e.g. the sudden illness of a candidate), the DVD should be stopped and later, when the emergency has been dealt with, re-started at exactly the same place. AQA should be informed by letter of the occurrence and of the point on the DVD at which the interruption took place.

After the examination all copies of the DVD must be destroyed. This is to comply with copyright law.

Printout of commentary on DVD

(AQA Logo – GCE Media Studies Advanced Level Unit 3 Critical Perspectives (MEST3) June 2016 Examination DVD.)

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THE DVD WILL BE PAUSED HERE BY THE INVIGILATOR IN ORDER TO MAKE SURE THAT YOU CAN SEE AND HEAR CLEARLY.

Caption: PAUSE DVD.

You will now be shown two media products.

The media products will be shown three times.

You are advised not to make notes during the first viewing of the media products.

After the first viewing there will be a pause of approximately two minutes, during which time you may make notes in your answer book.

The media products will then be shown two more times, with an interval of approximately two minutes between each viewing.

You may make notes in your answer book throughout these two viewings.

A tone will sound to warn you when each viewing is about to begin. (Example of three-second tone.)

After the third and final viewing of the media products, you should begin writing your answers to the three questions in Section A. You will have 45 minutes for this task and then one hour to write your response to Section B.

The first viewing will begin now.

(Tone.)

END OF INSTRUCTIONS