



Introduction to Post-16 Studies - Film Studies

Film Studies at Bewdley Sixth Form is an exciting and diverse subject. During the 2-year course you will study around 13 films from around the world and from different eras of film history. Not only will you study films, but you will also make one!

You will investigate how film works both as a medium of representation and as an aesthetic medium and develop key skills such as analysis, evaluation and critical thinking.

The following challenges will help you develop some of the initial skills and knowledge needed for this course.



Watch these 2 clips

Movies are Magic: Crash Course Film History #1 and #2

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=vsNB4iBb78o>

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=pKSmcmueTbA>

This will help you give you some ground knowledge on the history of filmmaking. Make notes as you go!



Listen to this podcast!

"Movies future historians will remember"

<http://archive.filmspotting.net/reviews/show-archive/45-2016-shows/1525-600-top-5-movies-future-historians-will-remember-w-chuck-klosterman.html>

This podcast will give you an insight on what makes a film meaningful and important.



Complete this match-up task

The core elements of film

This task will introduce you to the foundation elements of film and their specific terminology.
=> Match-up the words with their definitions.



Investigation

Choose a film that you love

Find out about the key people involved in the project (the director, producer(s), actor(s), the film-score composer, the editor, the cameramen, costume designer, etc...) and write a 500-word summary of your findings.



Read this article

The greatest films of all time

<https://www.bfi.org.uk/news/reviewing-greatest-films-all-time>

This article from the British Film Institute (BFI) includes links to all the films mentioned!



How to?

Make a short clip with your phone, camera, video-camera, etc... You will need to **plan it** (screenplay + storyboard), **shoot it** and **edit it!**
Theme: The great escape!



Useful links

The specification of the Film Studies course:

[WJEC AS/A Level Film Studies](#)

WJEC Film Studies resources:

<https://resources.wjec.co.uk/Pages/ResourceByArgs.aspx?subId=50&lvlId=1>

Film Studies useful websites:

www.imdb.com

www.imdb.com

Film Studies Teachers' emails:

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