

Creative iMedia Bridging and Qualifications Phase

Introduce:
Creativity
Planning
Audiences

Sandbach School Computing

Bridging Creative iMedia Curriculum Sequence

Intent: to build a foundation of creative digital skills suitable for the entire spread of digital media career pathways

T1

Photoshop Skills
Horror DVD Case Project

T2

Pre-production planning 1

T3

Interactive Product 1 – Information
Kiosk
Pre-production planning 2

T4

Audio Visual Product

T5

Pre-production 3

T6

Interactive Product 2 – Web
Design

Why these topics?

Digital graphics is the compulsory coursework option. Many of the practical skills in the course are built on a solid foundation of digital graphic design using Photoshop. Responding to briefs is the central purpose of the course. By being given a brief to work to, students can gain understanding in target audience and pre-production whilst creatively producing a digital artefact.

Curriculum Links

- Colour
- Creativity
- Graphic Design
- Genre

Teaching these topics here supports:

Directly supports the qualification mandatory coursework unit.

These topics feed from:

Digital graphics skills taught in the Y7 Digital Dangers Unit and Y8 Graphics unit

Why This Topic?

The pre-production documents are central to the course and are used over and over again in coursework and in the exam.

Curriculum Links

- Planning
- Documentation

Teaching these topics here supports:

Supports both the mandatory and optional coursework unit and will also be assessed in the exam.

These topics feed from

This will be the pupil's first learning of pre-production documentation

Why This Topic?

This is one of the possible solutions to the interactive product coursework to be completed later in the course. Pupils can practise the creation of pre-production documents to a set assignment and pick up useful interactive product skills at the same time. More of the pre-production document knowledge, this time tailored to the movie project that comes next..

Curriculum Links

- Graphic Design
- Technical
- Planning
- Documentation

Teaching these topics here supports:

Supports the optional coursework unit by providing the skills for one way it could be produced. Supports both the mandatory and optional coursework unit and will also be assessed in the exam.

These topics feed from

Building on pre-production skills. Pupil's first attempt at building an interactive product.

Why This Topic?

Although pupils will not be completing the movie making coursework, the questions in the exams often assume a level of understanding of the production process involved with creating audio-visual products so practical experience is desirable.

Curriculum Links

- Creativity
- Emotion
- Entertainment

Teaching these topics here supports:

Wider creative skillset that allows learners to have practical experience of all the possible creative career options from this curriculum pathway.

These topics feed from:

This will be the pupil's first attempt at a practical audio visual product.

Why This Topic?

This unit finalised Topic Area 3 for the exam. Students can use knowledge from the movie making project to understand health and safety concerns and risk assessments.

Curriculum Links

- Planning
- Documentation

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These topics feed from

Final iteration of the work on pre-production building throughout the bridging year.

Why This Topic?

This is another possible outcome for the interactive product assignment taught later in the course and, combining it with the knowledge from Topic Area 3, becomes a crucial skill building opportunity.

Curriculum Links

- Graphic Design
- Technical
- Planning
- Documentation
- Online

Teaching these topics here supports:

Supports the optional coursework unit by providing the skills for a second way it could be produced. Wider experience to support further career entry points.

These topics feed from

Year 7 web design unit, previous interactive product unit.



Develop:
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Qualifications Phase Year 1 Creative iMedia Curriculum Sequence

Intent: The Cambridge Nationals in Creative iMedia is a vocational qualification that teaches pupils a wide range of digital and creative skills suitable for job specific employment in future digital careers. The qualification can also act as a proof of a well-defined digital skillset that can set pupils apart from their peers in the job market

T1

Advanced Digital Graphics
Practice Brief

T2

Media industry sectors and products
Job roles in the media industry

T3

Digital Graphics Coursework

T4

Digital Graphics Coursework

T5

Style, content, layout and purpose
Client requirements

T6

Audience demographics
Research methods

Why these topics?

This unit is a skill builder for the coursework project that will be undertaken this year.
It is then assessed using the practical method outlines in the assessment section. Pupils can use the formative feedback to understand how to improve for the real assignment.

Why This Topic?

Media industry sectors is the first unit on Topic Area 1, the media industry, key to understanding the remaining content of the course.
Job roles is the second unit of Topic Area 1. This is a good time to be discussing careers as it reflects discussions that pupils will be having during PSHCE time.

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Why This Topic?

The first unit of Topic Area 2. Studying this unit will aid student's ability to reflect on media texts, a crucial skill for the exam.

Why This Topic?

The learning from this will be needed in the final coursework unit.

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- Creativity
- Graphic Design
- Genre

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- Careers
- Audiences

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Teaching these topics here supports:

Directly supports the qualification mandatory coursework unit.

Teaching these topics here supports:

Required learning for the final exam. Supports pupil's understanding of the possible career paths the qualification can lead to.

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This will be the pupil's first learning of these industry terms.

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Taught implicitly through practical experience previously, this unit formalises the processes into theoretical learning.

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Students have previously deconstructed briefs, this formalises the process.



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T1

Distribution platforms
Properties and formats of media files

T2

Interactive product coursework

T3

Interactive product coursework

T4

Media codes

T5

Exam revision

T6**Why these topics?**

These units are mainly based on technical information that can be rote learned. All formulate some of the required knowledge for the final exam. Studying them here is advantageous as they can be revisited several times to help long term retrieval.

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Analysing media text through codes, conventions, symbols and semiotics is the toughest theory topic in this course and should be taught just before the exam for maximum impact.

Why This Topic?

Teachers have this opportunity to identify student weaknesses and thoroughly prepare them for the exam season.

Curriculum Links

- Technical
- Careers

Curriculum Links

- Creativity
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Curriculum Links

- Analysis

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Directly supports the final exam.

Teaching these topics here supports:

Direct, personalised support for the final exam series.

These topics feed from:

Practical experience formalised with technical learning.

These topics feed from

Interactive product skills in the previous year.

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These topics feed from:

This is the pupil's first journey into analysing media codes but they will have learned implicit lessons previously.

These topics feed from

All previous theoretical learning culminates here.