

Film Studies A Level

Year 11-12 transition Work

Task 1 – to be completed by September.

Go to the link here:

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=0lICXhR_ty0

Watch the video of Mr Lloyd explaining about eyeline match and shot-reverse shot. There is a practice task on the Shining. You should complete the independent task on the **2002 Spider Man**

Task 2 - to be completed by September.

Investigate the following key terms. Once you understand them, try to look out for how they are being used when you watch a film. If you identify any of them in anything you watch this week, let me know.

- **Cinematography**
- **Mise-en-scene**
- **Continuity**
- **Montage**
- **Diegetic**
- **Intercutting**
- **Crosscutting**
- **Match on action**
- **Focus shift**



Task 3 - to be completed by September.

- A) One of the first key study films will be Alfred Hitchcock's *Vertigo* (1958). Research Hitchcock's life and cinematic style – there are resources galore online, including at the link at the bottom of this page – and make a list of some of his important techniques.
- B) Watch at least one Hitchcock film over the summer. There are several early ones on YouTube and classics on Prime, Netflix, etc. Recommended: *Psycho*, *Rear Window*, *North by Northwest*, *Strangers on a Train*



Task 4 - to be completed by September.

Watch some of the 'great' films!

There are plenty of 'greatest films of all time' lists to be found online with some familiar titles popping up again and again. Watch as many as you can over the summer and particularly challenge yourself with some non-English language films. As you watch, ask yourself what makes this film 'great'. Is it entertaining, challenging, unusual or well-crafted?

Try: <http://www.bfi.org.uk/news/50-greatest-films-all-time>

Extension - Read about cinema!

The exam board has a very detailed textbook, which will be loaned to you in September.

There are also several excellent introductions to the study of film. A preview of several pages from one can be found at:

https://books.google.co.uk/books?id=AnGrAgAAQBAJ&printsec=frontcover&dq=editions:3PdQdwzkjgkC&hl=en&sa=X&redir_esc=y#v=onepage&q&f=false

Or try: https://books.google.co.uk/books?id=SQ-FAAAAQBAJ&printsec=frontcover&dq=film+studies&hl=en&sa=X&redir_esc=y#v=onepage&q=film%20studies&f=false

Want to get ahead on the A Level course? Spend some time on the school website or YouTube channel to investigate what's coming up:

<https://hbkportal.co.uk/index.php/filmstudies/filmstudieshome/>

<https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCd5AdgIJXZyi8UbCwA2Mk8w/videos>