

# Film Studies A Level

## Year 12 transition Work

### Starter

Watch some 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>

### Main

Investigate the following key terms. Once you understand them, try to look out for how they are being used when you watch a film:

- Cinematography
- Mise-en-scene
- Continuity
- Montage
- Diegetic
- Intercutting
- Superimposition
- Aspect ratio

Focus shift

**Read about cinema!**

**The exam board has just published a brand new textbook:**

[https://www.amazon.co.uk/WJEC-Eduqas-Film-Studies-Level/dp/1911208446/ref=sr\\_1\\_1?ie=UTF8&qid=1530083195&sr=8-1&keywords=wjec+film+studies+a+level](https://www.amazon.co.uk/WJEC-Eduqas-Film-Studies-Level/dp/1911208446/ref=sr_1_1?ie=UTF8&qid=1530083195&sr=8-1&keywords=wjec+film+studies+a+level)

**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](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](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)

## **Dessert**

**Want to get ahead on the A Level course? Spend some time on the school website to investigate what's coming up as new material is added for the new curriculum:**

<http://www.hinchingbrookeschool.co.uk/FilmStudies/FilmStudiesHome.html>