

# QE GCSE Induction Pack for Cambridge Nationals In Creative iMedia

A guide to help you get ready for GCSE @ QE



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## Introduction

This pack contains a programme of information, tasks, activities and resources to help you prepare for Creative iMedia. It is meant to be used in the second half of the summer term to ensure you are ready to start your course in the right way.



## You should to create a separate slides/powerpoint file to work through the tasks and activities in the pack

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Please ask if you have any questions about the content of this pack

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## **Course Structure Recap...**

You have already seen this information in your GCSE booklet when deciding which subjects to choose from. But is is important for us to look back over this so you know what to expect.

## What is Level 2 Certificate in Creative iMedia All About?

Digital Media is a key part of many areas of our everyday lives. The creation of digital media products is a requirement of almost every business so there is huge demand for a skilled and digitally literate workforce.



The Creative iMedia course is media sector-focused, including graphic design, web development and multiMedia studies, and has IT at its heart. It offers a chance to develop in key transferable areas from pre-production skills such as research and design to practical skills like digital graphics and website creation, with a strong emphasis on communicating creative concepts using a hands-on approach to learning.

This courses deliver skills across the whole range of learning styles and abilities and is effective for engaging and inspiring all students to achieve great things. If you want to get stuck into the creative side of IT, then this is the course for you!

### Assessment

Unit	Name	Percentage	Assessment
R081	Pre-Production Skills	25%	1 hour 15 minutes written exam paper
R082	Creating Digital Graphics	25%	10 hours Controlled Coursework
R085*	Creating a Multipage Website	25%	10 hours Controlled Coursework
R087*	Creating Interactive MultiMedia Products	25%	10 hours Controlled Coursework

\*Optional Units

## What does it mean by "Controlled Coursework"?

This is where you will be completing a piece of coursework in 10 hours under exam conditions. It will be broken into small blocks to complete separate sub tasks.

## **Sixth Form Progression / Related Careers**

BTEC Level 3 ICT is a commonly seen progression for students moving on from the Creative iMedia course; with potential for advancement into careers in the IT and creative technology sectors.

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## **Grading...**



When you are moved into GCSE you will find that not all subject use the same grading systems.

Creative iMedia is a little different. You will see below a table which explain the different grades you can get and how these compare to GCSE 1-9.

Creative iMedia Grade	GCSE Equivalent
Level 1 Pass (P1)	1
Level 1 Merit (M1)	2
Distinction at Level 1 (D1)	3
Level 2 Pass (P2)	4
Level 2 Merit (M2)	5.5
Level 2 Distinction (D2)	7
Level 2 Distinction* (D2*)	8.5

## Useful Research & Materials...

It important that you know where to go to get extra support and help during the whole course and help you with some of the tasks in this booklet.



## **Book List**

- ★ OCR Cambridge Nationals. Creative iMedia L1/L2 Pre-Production Skills and Creating Digital Graphics\*\*: Book Link
- ★ Cambridge National Level 1 / 2 Creative iMedia: Book Link

## **General Websites:**

★ That Blue Square Thing: Website Link

## WWW

## **Theory Skills Websites**

- ★ MissChambersICT R081 Exam Videos: Website Link
- ★ Mrs G33k = R081 Exam Paper Walkthrough: Website Link
- ★ Miss Patel Revision Videos: Website Link
- ★ Past Papers and Mark schemes: Website Link
- ★ Keywords Revision: <u>Website Link</u>

## **Coursework Skill Websites:**

★ Mrs G33k = Photoshop Basics: Essentials: Website Link

★ Glimpse: Website Link★ GIMP: Website Link

★ HTML SKILLS: Website Link

★ W3 SCHOOL HTML: Website Link

## Copyright & Referencing

Websites:

How to reference and avoid plagiarism: Website

Link

Best practice for

referencing: Website Link



## **Technical Dictionaries**

https://techterms.com/ https://www.teach-ict.com/gloss ary/A.htm



<sup>\*\*</sup>I would recommend getting at least the white revision guide as this will be helpful to you.

## What makes a good Creative iMedia student?...

Independence

Willing to practice skills

**Grit/Effort** 

Problem Solving

Can learn new skills in new software

**Not Giving Up** 

Hard work

Staying up to date with coursework attend catch up sessions



Resilience

Creative iMedia

Curious

Improve and develop work

**Creative** 

**Organised - Meet** 

**Deadlines** 

Asking for help from other students before asking the teacher

Thinking out the box

Can work alone and or in a group

## Theory Skills...

Here are some tasks to help you develop your understand - what we called the "theory side" of Creative iMedia.

## 1: Different Products and Digital Products

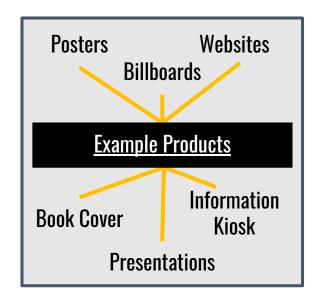
There are lots of products around us which have had considerable thought and design put into them. There are some examples on the mindmap.

## Theory Task 1:

Can you think of any other products that could be added?

If you take a few of those products - could you find a real example and identify the following:

- ★ Target Audience
- **★** Purpose
- ★ Reasons for design choices



## 2: 5 Pre-Production Documents

These are the 5 pre-production documents we use when research and planning products.

## Theory Task 2:

Can you find 5 images to show what these document would look like?

Can you identify what you think the purpose of each one is?

## **5 Pre-Production Documents:**

- 1. Mindmap
- Moodboard
- 3. Visualisation Diagram
- 4. Storyboard
- 5. Script

## 3: Copyright & Referencing

Understanding what copyright is and why referencing correctly is so vital when creating products

## Theory Task 3:

Using the video and poster links to the left

Can you correctly reference and explain the term "copyright" and include the reference for a copyright image?



## **R081 Example Exam Question ...**

Here is an example of a 1 type of typical exam question you might experience. What do you think?

Answer all the questions.

### SECTION A

Progressive Park is a theme park which has a new ride opening next summer. The new rollercoaster ride will allow riders to wear virtual reality goggles as they speed through different parts of the United Kingdom (UK) at various times in its history.

There will always be some sort of mini client brief

Some of your answers need to be linked to the client

2 During the first project meeting about the new ride, ideas were expressed by different members of the design team.

(a)	Identify the most appropriate pre-production document to capture these ideas.
(b)	Identify two items that would be included on this document.
	1
	2 [2]

Some of your answers are more general

## Coursework Skills...

Here are some tasks to help you develop your coursework skills.

Have a go!

## 1: Editing Images

In R082 you will need to able to edit images to create a final product.

In school we use Photoshop; which you currently have access to from home for free - if you would like to get it then please email your course leader.

Two free online options are: Glimpse & Gimp

<u>Skills Task 1</u>: Can you take several images and bring them together to create a sensible scene - like the cat on the building? As creative as you!



## 2: Website Design

In R085 you will be create a website with a variety of features. We use Dreamweaver to create our websites.

You have already done some work in HTML using notepad.

<u>Skills Task 2</u>: Using your previous website skills in notepad from <u>Teach ICT</u> & <u>W3 Schools</u> - can you create a simple homepage and "contact us" page for a local charity

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<!DOCTYPE html>
    <html>
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        <head>
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            <title>Example<title>
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            <link rel="stylesheet" href="sty"</pre>
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        </head>
 7
        <body>
 8
            < h1>
9
                 <a href="/">Header</a>
10
            </h1>
11
            <nav>
12
                 <a href="one/">0ne</a>
13
                 <a href="two/">Two</a>
14
                 <a href="three/">Three</a>
             </nav>
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## 3: Multimedia Design

In R087 you will be creating an interactive product that uses a variety of different multimedia features.

You may have already played with Slides and Powerpoint

Skills Task 3: Can you create an interactive product that explains the importance of healthy eating to young children (3 - 5 years)



## **Example Client Brief for controlled coursework ...**

Here is an example of a typical client brief that you would be given for one of the coursework units.

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## Scenario for the assignment – A DVD cover for 'Energy Matters'

Your client is producing a new film and needs to begin the development of the DVD cover. The title of the film is 'Energy Matters' and it is about the World's demand for energy in the year 2020. The film is expected to be given a Certificate 12 rating when released. The DVD cover produced must be a single piece of digital graphic artwork that includes front cover, back cover and the spine.

A high quality file for print purposes must be created together with a low resolution version suitable for use on a website. The website version will be used for promotion and be 400 pixels wide to fit the web page layout.

Read through all of the tasks carefully, so that you know what you will need to do to complete this assignment.

All units have the same structure when you break down the sub tasks that you will need to complete based around the client brief

These are:

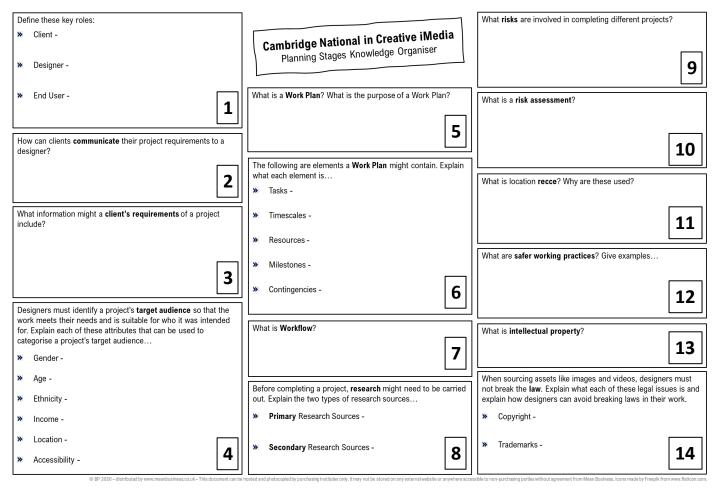
LO1 – Investigation

LO2 – Planning and Design

LO3 – Creating A Product

LO4 - Review





Can you fill in the gaps in this blank knowledge to help you start understanding some of the keywords we use in Creative iMedia. Use the space provided or you could add it your Slides/Powerpoint file.

