

# WJEC AS/A LEVEL MEDIA STUDIES

## NEWSLETTER – SEPTEMBER 2025

Welcome back to a new year. We hope you had a great summer!

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## 1. 2025 Principal Examiner Report

The 2025 GCE Principal Examiner Report, providing a summary of the feedback on all units, will be available on the Media Studies [webpage](#) by the end of September.

The report reflects on the 2025 assessment series and offers advice from the Principal Examiners and Principal Moderators that can be used to support effective teaching and assessment strategies.

## 2. Moderation Centre Reports

NEA Moderation reports for individual centres are available to download from Portal as of Results Day via the internal assessment tab. Please ensure you download and read your report as it contains vital information and advice regarding your centre's assessment of NEA. Please note that centre reports will be available on Portal until December.

## 3. Autumn Term Professional Learning opportunities

Our new Assessment Feedback Package for 2025-26 is an opportunity to gain a deeper understanding of how assessments are marked or moderated. This integrated suite of resources and training brings together free access to Principal Examiner reports, marked scripts, and online assessment feedback sessions, as well as a range of optional paid face-to-face Professional Learning events. Learn more about how you and your learners can benefit from our Assessment Feedback Package here: [Assessment Feedback Package 2025-26](#). You can download the most recent Principal Examiner Report and register for a FREE online feedback event on the WJEC GCE Media Studies webpage.

Date	Location	Event
23 <sup>rd</sup> October 2025	Online	Feedback on GCE Summer Assessments

CPD Materials from all previous CPD events are available on [Portal](#).

## 4. New Resources

- We have developed a resource to support teachers in their assessment of work for both exam and NEA units in the GCE qualification, called the Amplified Assessment Grids.

The Amplified Assessment grid is designed to provide more detailed description of each band of the mark scheme. It is not specific to any particular paper, but it describes typical characteristics of work in Bands 1-5 for each assessment objective. It is not an exhaustive description and does not represent a checklist of requirements that learners' work has to meet to be awarded a mark in each band; instead, it provides a general description of typical characteristics of work in each band to support teachers to understand how to assess work accurately.

The Amplified Assessment Grids are available on the WJEC GCE website under '[Resources for Teachers](#)'.

- A new blended learning resource has been created for Unit 3 Section B: *Magazines*. This, along with all of our free resources to support teachers delivering AS and A Level Media Studies, can be found on the [WJEC Resources Website](#).

## 5. Artificial Intelligence (AI) in Screen Education Conference

We are delighted to announce that WJEC is working in partnership with [Ravensbourne University](#) to deliver an innovative joint conference on 'AI In Screen Education'.

The conference will be held at Ravensbourne University, London from 31<sup>st</sup> March - 1<sup>st</sup> April 2026. For more information, visit our website: [Get involved with our Artificial Intelligence \(AI\) in Screen Education Conference](#).

## 6. Moving Image Awards

The deadline for [Moving Image Award](#) entries is Monday 30<sup>th</sup> September. Please advise learners to complete this form to submit an entry: [Moving Image Award Entry Form](#).

The awards ceremony will take place on Friday 13<sup>th</sup> February 2026 at BFI Southbank.

## 7. Key Dates 2025-26

Wednesday 1 <sup>st</sup> April 2026	<b>AS/A Level</b> - Internal Assessment Mark Input System (IAMIS) opens for Unit 2/4 NEA marks to be submitted.
Tuesday 12 <sup>th</sup> May (pm) 2026	WJEC AS Unit 1 Examination
Thursday 14 <sup>th</sup> May (pm) 2026	WJEC A Level Unit 3 Examination
Friday 15 <sup>th</sup> May 2026	<b>AS/A Level NEA SUBMISSION DEADLINE</b> Centres' samples must be uploaded to IAMIS <b>BY</b> this date.
Thursday 13 <sup>th</sup> August 2026	AS/A Level Results Day

Source: [Key Dates and Timetables webpage](#).

## 8. Exemplar Materials

Exemplar from the 2025 series will be available for all components for GCSE, AS and A Level from October. This contains unannotated and annotated responses to selected questions and NEA briefs from the 2025 assessment series.

[Portal](#) also includes a range of materials to support teaching, including materials from previous CPD events, past exam papers and mark schemes and non-exam assessment briefs.

## 9. Contact Us

If you have any queries, please do not hesitate to contact the Media Studies team at [media@wjec.co.uk](mailto:media@wjec.co.uk) or 029 2240 4308.