

LEVEL 3 TV AND FILM PRODUCTION

Brief: Create a short 1-minute documentary about yourself. You may use your camera phone to do this if you don't have anything else to shoot on. The opening titles need to be filmed using stop motion – displaying your name (you could use any household objects to do this). The documentary should contain a range of shots that represent your personality, there should be no shots of you in the entire film. You can include music and/or voiceover if you wish.

TASK ONE - STOP MOTION

Download a free animation app on your phone or iPad. Our favorite is 'Stop Motion'. It is free but for a 79p upgrade you can do some more fancy stuff. Create an animation of your name. Create a storyboard (draw out) what you want it to look like. The more planning you do now the better the end result. Grab what you need to animate, you could use pens and whiteboard or use pieces of paper, Lego or plasticine – any household objects will do. Follow the instructions on the app. Here's a video to help: https://youtu.be/X_M468S86HI

TASK TWO - SHOT LIST

Create a shot list of the footage you intend to film. This could be a simple list of the things that you want to include in the video, things you like, people you live with, your room, pets, photos, objects that have meaning to you, your garden for example. Try and include a range of locations – outdoor and indoor. Remember, we don't want to see any footage of yourself – this will give the game away when we come to watch them and try and guess whose video is who's.

TASK THREE - SHOOT

Shoot the film – Use a tripod if you have one or hold the camera as steady as possible, try to find something to prop the camera/phone up against so that your shots are steady. Try to include a range of different shots, be creative, get up close, stand further back – please remember to shoot landscape.

TASK FOUR - EDIT

You will need to edit your film together. We recommend using Adobe Rush – It's free. You can download it here: <https://www.adobe.com/uk/products/premiere-rush.html> or if you already have some software or an App that you like then you can use this instead. Remember to add in your title (Stop Motion) at the beginning, as well as music, sounds, voiceovers etc.

TASK FIVE - SHARE

We want to be able to see the videos that you film. In fact we will watch them on the first day as part of an Icebreaker so that you get to know each other – Create a YouTube account and upload it. If you don't want the public to be able to see it then upload it as 'unlisted'.

TASK SIX - BE INSPIRED

To prepare for the year ahead we want you to have watched the following:

Multicam Productions:

- **The Chase** – <https://www.itv.com/hub/the-chase/1a7842>
- **The Graham Norton Show** – <https://www.bbc.co.uk/iplayer/episodes/b006xnzc/the-graham-norton-show>
- **Faking it** – Emergency control operator to TV studio director – <https://www.channel4.com/programmes/faking-it/on-demand/34510-005>

Documentaries:

- **Louis Theroux** – The most hated family in America – <https://www.bbc.co.uk/iplayer/episode/b007clvf/louis-theroux-the-most-hated-family-in-america>
- **60 second doc** – The Apache Artist Bringing Skate Culture To Indigenous Tribes – <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=wJlCbo-S6t4>
- **Great Big Story** – Meet the 13-Year-Old Bull Riding Champion – <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=QPLmBccdEMk>

WE ALSO SUGGEST THAT YOU WATCH THE FOLLOWING FILMS TO HELP WITH THE THEORY SIDE OF THE COURSE. YOU MIGHT FIND SOME OF THESE ON NETFLIX OR ONLINE, DON'T WORRY IF YOU CAN'T WATCH THEM ALL – WE DON'T EXPECT YOU TO GO OUT AND BUY THEM

History

- Citizen Kane (1941)** – <https://www.bbc.co.uk/iplayer/episode/b0074n82/citizen-kane>
- A Trip to the Moon (1902)** – <https://player.bfi.org.uk/free/film/watch-a-trip-to-the-moon-1902-online>
- The great train robbery (1903)** – <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=ln3mRDX0uqk>

Genre

- Hallowe'en (1978), Hallowe'en H2O (1998), Hallowe'en (2018)** – Now TV
- Nosferatu (1922)** – Amazon Prime
- Annabelle (2014)** – Netflix
- Fort Apache (1948)** – BBC IPlayer
- The Haunting of Hill House (series)** – Netflix
- The Breakfast Club (1985)** – Netflix
- Clueless (1995)** – Netflix
- Legally Blonde (2001)** – Netflix

Aesthetics

- Sunset Boulevard (1950)** – Now TV
- The Matrix (1999)** – Now TV
- The Great Gatsby (2013)** – Now TV
- The Wizard of Oz (1939)** – Netflix
- Inception (2010)** – Netflix
- Vertigo (1958)** – Netflix

Narrative & Character

- Harold and Maude (1971)** – Youtube (you need to pay £2.50)
- Marriage Story (2019)** – Netflix
- Lady Bird (2017)** – Netflix
- Book Smart (2019)** – Amazon Prime