BTEC Creative Media Production Certificate: Holiday work (single)

Task 1: 'Introducing myself'

Introduce yourself to your new class by making a presentation about you in any digital medium!

Criteria:

- Your presentation should be edited to a maximum of 3 minutes.
- You can use any format: video, vlog, PowerPoint, web site, iPad slide show, audio (mp3 file) etc.

Suggestions:

- You can adopt any style you wish e.g.: formal or humorous
- You could experiment with colour or settings
- You could use text/graphics/found images
- You could use voiceover, dialogue, music, distorted sound or sound effects
- You could refer to your past, current or future ambitions
- You could refer to your holidays, hobbies, events in your life, experience prior to BHASVIC

Please bring your video with you either on as USB or SD card or have the video uploaded to YouTube ready to be viewed in class.

Task 2: Advertising Review

We would also like you to do some initial research into the different types of advertisements that you see on TV over the Summer. This will help you prepare for the induction task in the first three weeks of the course.

Find three adverts that have a different structure/form. Write around 250 words for each advert about

- The codes and conventions of the advert. (Visual, technical, sound)
- Who you think the advert is aimed at and why?

You may wish to comment on camerawork, locations, lighting, editing, voice-over, soundtrack or costumes or the performance of the artists or the way in which any dialogue/voice-over works together with the music to create mood. You should try and discuss the kind of effect that these technical features have on creating meaning in the advert. You could also comment on how sound and image work together to create the story or to give an impression.

Please word process this and include your name, the names of the adverts and submit on in the first lesson back. Ideally find a hyperlink from YouTube in case we haven't seen them!

Example – BT Infinity 'Ryan Reynolds gets the UK's most powerful Wi-Fi | BT' (https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=koo8XG8P1Vc)

The narrative driven advert for <u>BT Infinity</u> stars Ryan Reynolds as he discusses the benfits of using the BT smart hub. The advert uses a combination of both facts and comedy which suggests it is aimed at a younger demographic of 16-24 or 25-34. This demographic is likely to regonise Ryan Reynolds from films like *Deadpool* and this demographic stereotypically are more likely to enjoy the comedy genre and therefore the humour within this advert.

The advert uses a direct mode of address as Ryan Reynolds speak to the audience through diegetic dialogue, maintaining eye contact throughout. This connects the audience to the advert as they feel like they are being directly addressed. The advert features the product through a close up shot twice ensuring the audience know what it looks like and the advert continues to show the benefits of this router through the narrative and how it has a wide reach that even works when Ryan Reynolds is lost within a maze.

The humour is developed further by the visual codes of the setting, costumes and props which suggests an affluent lifestyle that Ryan Reynolds lives. The advert is set in a manor house which we see through long shots allowing the audience to view more of the mise-en-scene. Reynolds is dressed in a formal tweed suit which could be seen as stereotypical British. This reinforces the brands British heritage and also gives the advert an expensive feel.