

# English 11 – Media Presentation

Your job, as a group, is first of all, to consider which people group, issue, or set of values you want to explore in relation to media. You will present your findings and support for those findings to the class. Be sure to choose something that interests you and that is meaty enough to explore and find plenty of examples of.

## Possible people groups:

Men

Women

Children

People of a certain political or religious persuasion

The homosexual community

A particular culture

Teenagers

## Possible values/topics:

Family/Parenting

Love

Romance

Sexuality

Morality

Success

Relationships

Authority

Ask yourself: How are these values or groups *GENERALLY* represented in the media? As an example, what does it mean to be “successful” according to the media. Pay attention not just to images, but also to the copy or text attached. You should also consider television, movies and music. Your presentation to the class should include an **outline** of your findings and **visuals** to support them. This can include powerpoint presentations, prezis, posters, music video clips, DVD clips etc. You should also include a “so-what” for your audience. What should they do or how should they respond to these findings, in your opinion?

Your presentation must be 7-10 minutes and everyone must be involved in it. (This will be included as one of your few speaking marks, so make it count!) Your presentations are due Tuesday, March 15<sup>th</sup>. You will be allowed to use your electronic devices if you use them responsibly and are actively working with your group. Translation: If you are being lazy and just listening to music, playing games, or fooling around, you will lose this privilege, not to mention your mark.

The media we are influenced by is all around us and almost impossible to escape from. Use this assignment to really explore the messages and values that we are being “indoctrinated” with, and consider the potential good or bad that can come of them.