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Paper 4 Critical Perspectives

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You must answer on the enclosed answer booklet.

You will need: Answer booklet (enclosed)

INSTRUCTIONS

- Answer **three** questions in total:
 - Section A: answer **two** questions.
 - Section B: answer Question 4.
- Follow the instructions on the front cover of the answer booklet. If you need additional answer paper, ask the invigilator for a continuation booklet.

INFORMATION

- The total mark for this paper is 60.
- The number of marks for each question or part question is shown in brackets [].

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Section A: Media debates

Answer **two** questions from Section A.

You should refer to one or more media forms in each answer.

Media regulation

- 1 To what extent does media regulation protect freedom of expression? [15]

Postmodern media

- 2 'The postmodern media text is always about itself or other media texts.' To what extent are self-referentiality and intertextuality the defining characteristics of postmodernism? [15]

Power and the media

- 3 Explain why particular social groups may be misrepresented or underrepresented in the media. [15]

Section B: Media ecology

- 4 Explain how the media environment shapes our beliefs and values. [30]

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