

Music in advertisements

Part One: Advertisements on television

If you have access to television during class time, watch a few advertisements, focussing on the way music is used in the adverts.

Now turn down the sound and watch the adverts. What impact does the music have on the advert?

Your teacher will facilitate a class discussion in which you will have an opportunity to share your views on music in advertising.

Part Two: Complete a worksheet as a group

Your teacher will place you into groups.

Each group must select a television advertisement in which music is played.

Complete the following worksheet as a group.

1.	What product is being advertised?	[1]		
2.	Describe the music that is used in this advert.	[4]		
3.	What role does the music play on the advert?	[2]		
4.	Does the music enhance the advert, or would the advert be just as			
	successful without the music? Give reasons.	[4]		
5.	If you heard the music played somewhere, would you associate it with			
	the advert? Why? Why not?	[3]		
6.	Is the music stereotypical of any group of people or any practice? Explain.	[4]		
7.	What do you think the director's aim was in using that particular piece of			
	music in the advert?	[2]		
	[20 marks			



Part Three: Create and present your own advertisement as a group.

Your group must select a typically South African product to advertise.

What music would you use to advertise this product?

Why have you made this choice?

You are going to present your ideas to the class. Be as creative as possible! It is important that the class sees the product and hears your choice of music. You may compose your own music if you like!

[16 marks]



Rubric to assess presentation

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	the class	the class	the class	the class
	discussion and	discussion and	discussion and	discussion and
	the group's	the group's	the group's	the group's
	presentation.	presentation.	presentation.	presentation.
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			task.	
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	meaning and	meaning and	able to express	express
	atmosphere	atmosphere	meaning and	meaning and
	very well.	well.	atmosphere	atmosphere
			fairly well.	well.
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	dynamic	presentation	presentation	presentation
	presentation	which explained	which explained	which did not
	which explained	group's choices	group's choices	explain group's
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	extremely well.			



Suggested Solutions

If possible, tape a few television advertisements for reviewing during Part One and for reference for the rest of the time.

Possible marks	Solution
none	Facilitate the discussion and observe individuals for participation and
	contribution.
20	Group responses will differ depending on the advertisement chosen and
	the subjective response to the advert.
16	See rubric in Appendix of Assessment Tools.
	marks none

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