Readers, Writers and Texts

Advertising

Fields of Enquiry:
Science, technology and the
Environment.

Central Concepts:
Communication and Creativity

Ways in to advertising







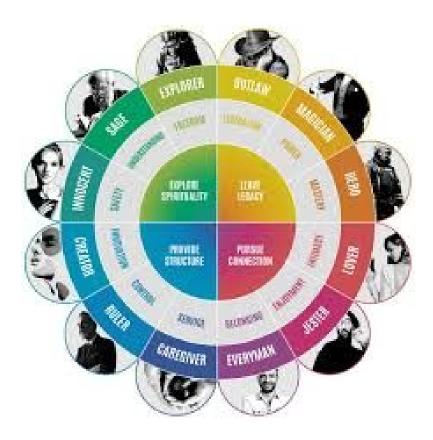


When we consider advertising we must consider **audience** and **purpose**. Ask students to look at sexist adverts and consider how they sell the product being advertised.

Why do the adverts shock now? Are they so different from advertising campaigns being run today?

Consider: Font, narrative, image, logo, slogan, colour, punctuation, symbols

Task: Select your own advertisement, sexist or otherwise. Present it to the class. Look at all the features in it and explain how it functions in terms of delivering it's message. Evaluate it in terms of how successful you perceive it to be.



Consider the archetypes of advertising and where you consider your advert to sit on this wheel. Why do you think they want the product to be aligned with this archetype?

Remember to reflect in your learner portfolio!

ADVERTISING: THE SHOCK FACTOR

The United colours of Benetton famously ran advertising campaigns which made powerful political statements. Designed to be inflammatory and headline grabbing, there was frequently no sign of the products which they were supposed to advertise.

What do you think of these ads? Attention seeking? Thought provoking? Clever? How are they designed to work? Is it exploitation?





https://www.theguardian.com/fashion/gallery/2011/nov/17/benettons-most-controversial-adverts

ADVERTISING: A WINNING BUSINESS

https://vimeo.com/123757690

Mad Men "It's Toasted"

Task: Advertising Pitch.

Think of a company synonymous with technology and or the environment. Imagine you are an account manager at an advertising agency and you have been asked to pitch and advertising strategy to the company in order to win that account.

Come up with your advertising concept including: Logo, Slogan, advert style. Tell us why you should get the business and why your idea will sell that product.

Remember to reflect in your learner portfolio!

Now read the Chesterfield Advertisement and the exemplar commentary on the advert. Why is this commentary good?

Look at the marking criteria. Spend some time assessing it and tell me how you would mark this piece. Annotate as you read it.

Show trailer of 1984 movie

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=urrqW4_3IBg

Open with 1984 Apple ad – the launch of Apple Mac computers. Irony that Apple now controls everything

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=2zfqw8nhUwA

Then show mashup of it, used by Obama campaign, in interval of Superbowl, hugely influential on Democratic rejection of Hilary Clinton as Democratic candidate.

http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=cWvHbOoG3tI

nb manipulation of symbol to show Obama, not Apple at end. Has inspired other copies – 2011 Motorola

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=FgOX9mb7V4o

Interesting commentary.

Evolution of the brand - might be useful

https://www.thedrum.com/news/2019/03/26/10-apple-ads-show-how-the-brand-has-evolved

https://medium.com/the-mission/40-lessons-from-40-years-of-apple-ads-7a653e2738ab

You may need to be signed into Medium for this one! It works well as Apple history as an intro.

The "lost" video of 1984 launch https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=2B-XwPjn9YY

TBWA\Chiat\Day - agency in NY and LA

https://www.adweek.com/agencies/apples-ad-agency-names-new-creative-leaders-on-iphone-and-apple-services/

(Contemporary Apple video showing computers in odd situations)

. https://www.mactrast.com/2018/04/best-apple-commercials-of-all-time/

I love the Dinosaurs one!

2006 "Get a Mac!"

https://www.thedrum.com/news/2016/03/31/2006-apple-s-iconic-get-mac-campaign-spans-four-years-and-66-ads

1984 one

https://www.adweek.com/creativity/12-campaigns-that-show-how-tbwa-sparked-conversations-worldwide-in-2018/

Think different!:

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=cFEarBzelBs

Homepod film

https://www.thedrum.com/news/2019/03/26/10-apple-ads-show-how-the-brand-has-evolved

https://www.forbes.com/sites/onmarketing/2011/12/14/the-real-story-behind-apples-think-different-campaign/#470c08e062ab

(Definitely created by LA office of TWBA!)

Look at the best campaigns of all time!

https://www.theatlantic.com/magazine/archive/2015/03/the-big-question/384984/

Top ten Apple ads 12 mins:

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=ilarNBQHevA

http://www.macfinest.com/best-apple-print-ads/

Quite interesting commentary on Apple ads

https://sites.psu.edu/drobitsleap/2014/07/23/case-study-mac-vs-pc-advertisement-campaign/

https://www.fastcompany.com/3026521/apples-famous-ads-created-an-im-a-mac-effect

This is the body of work:

http://www.macmothership.com/gallery/gallery3.html

Task 1: Starting to think about Macintosh advertising.

In 1984 Macintosh took out all of the 39 pages of advertising in the publication *Newsweek*. What is *Newsweek* Magazine. Why would they have chosen this publication?

On page 2 of this 39 page advertisement the text on the screen refers to '1 person 1 vote'. To whom or what does this refer? Research! Why do they make this reference?

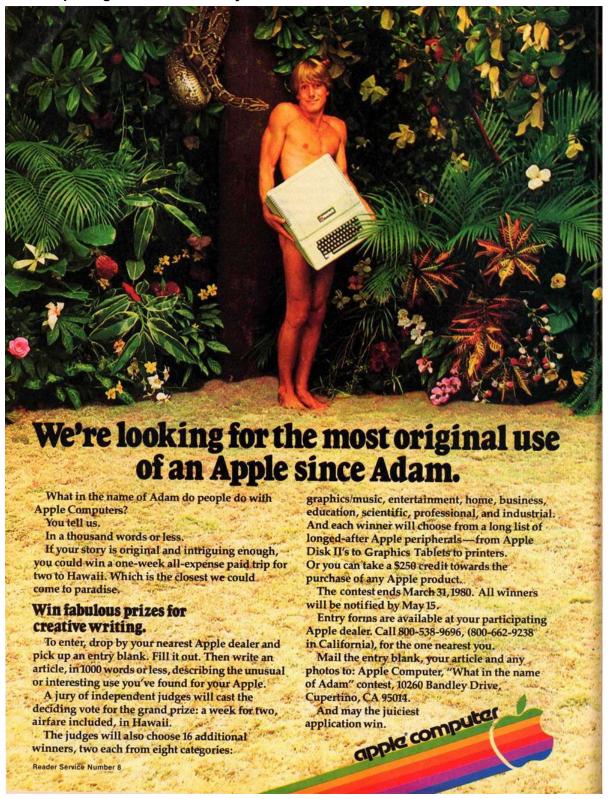
Look at page 3 and consider the mingling of features in an advertisement led issue.

Spend some time reading through and studying these pages and work out the links between individual pages.

Do the advertisements stand up on their own or do they have to be considered as a whole?

In your opinion which is the most effective advertisement or selection of ads in this body of work?

Task: Paper 1 guided textual analysis.



How are formal features such as layout, fonts, visuals and copy used to create an effect in these advertisements?