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Question		Answer	Mark	Guidance
Section A				
1	(a)	<p>One mark from e.g.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Apps can be accessed from a variety of portable devices (1) • Users can regularly upload and edit content (1) • Users can get notification of updates to their social media channels (1). 	1	<p>Candidates may use examples such as Facebook and Twitter to explain why apps are beneficial.</p> <p>Any other reasonable response which identifies a valid benefit of app technology should be credited</p>
	(b)	<p>Two marks from e.g.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • To communicate with friends (1) • To upload their own content (1) • To contribute to discussions (1) • To access content from media producers (1) 	2	<p>Candidates' answers will demonstrate understanding about why audiences use social media products. They may reference different social media products as part of their answers.</p>
	(c)	<p>Two marks for each suitable explanation with expansion. (Max four). e.g.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Users can consume content such as film, TV and radio when they want by streaming and downloading (1) instead of working around an advertised schedule (1) • Users can interact with media content (1) by regularly communicating their opinions and ideas (e.g. social TV and Twitter, news and blogs) (1) 	4	<p>Candidates' answers may reference a wider range of media products than those outlined, (e.g. online reviews and video games) so flexibility and professional judgement should be used.</p>

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2	(a)	<p>Two marks for each suitable explanation with expansion. (Max six) e.g.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Allows for collaboration with people to generate ideas about new project (1) through group forums and group chat and message facilities (1) • Allows users to generate funding (crowdfunding) (1) via online technologies such as Kickstarter with examples of similar, successful projects (1) • Allows for the recruitment of personnel to a project or idea (crowdsourcing) (1) through viral advertisements and sharing of links (1). 	6	<p>Answers will encompass learning in LO2 and LO3 (connectivity, sharing of ideas, generating funding, crowd sourcing). Use of media theory (Long Tail, Wikinomics) may be discussed as part of answer.</p>
	(b)	<p>Two marks from e.g.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Negative publicity/reviews from audiences about the release of a product (1) • Viral parody trending (1) • Threats, bullying, trolling, cyber-stalking (1) 	2	<p>Candidates may reference a specific product, producer or public figure (e.g. Stephen Fry, Justin Bieber, Kim Kardashian) as part of their answer.</p> <p>Candidates may have also discussed use of intellectual property without permission.</p> <p>Do not accept hacking as an answer as this is not specific to public figures.</p>
3	(a)	<p>Two marks for each suitable explanation with expansion. (Max four). e.g.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Social media products allow for instant distribution (1) and can therefore reach audiences all over the world who have access to technology, as if they are in a 'global village' (1) • Mainstream ideas, mass media products and large brands can be advertised globally more easily (1) owing to the way in which social media products can distribute video and graphics instantly (1) 	4	<p>Owing to the concept of globalisation being quite theoretical, candidates may reference ideas by McLuhan (global village) and credit should be given for this. Candidates may also be taught linked concepts such as cultural imperialism, so credit should be given for explanations that include mass communication of mainstream products.</p>

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Section A				
	(b)	One mark from e.g. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Access to large audiences (1) • Free marketing as audiences share content (1) 	1	Candidates may reference specific social media channels as part of their answer.
4		Two marks from e.g. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The content may be considered to be of an embarrassing or inappropriate nature (1) • The content may be deemed to be of an offensive nature to others (1) 	2	Candidates may also reference ideas such as e-safety or use of social media in the workplace as part of their answer. Candidates may reference media professionals as a 'user'.

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5	<p>Comparison of how two social media tools can be used for different purposes: these will include YouTube, Twitter, Pinterest, Facebook, Instagram, Flickr, Blogger, Tumblr, LinkedIn.</p> <p>Level 3 - 6-8 marks There will be a thorough comparison of how two social media tools can be used for two outlined purposes. Use of examples are wholly appropriate.</p> <p>Level 2 – 3-5 marks There will be a sound comparison of how two social media tools can be used for two outlined purposes. Use of examples are appropriate.</p> <p>Level 1 - 1-2 marks There will be a limited comparison of how two social media tools can be used for two outlined purposes. Use of examples are sometimes appropriate.</p> <p>0 marks – response not worthy of any credit.</p> <p>If a candidate only discusses one social media tool marks are capped to four.</p>	8	<p>As part of this answer candidates are likely to discuss purposes such as: viral marketing,</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • uploading of content, • trending, • following and sharing, • instant updates, • teaser advertising, • gaining audience feedback. <p>You tube (e.g. how Youtube would be used by the film industry as a marketing tools, its capabilities as an audio visual means of promoting through trailers, Teaser trailers, interviews and behind the scenes, audience ratings and feedback comments) Instagram (e.g. how Instagram feeds are used by artists/general companies to engage with their audiences, to update or release of new products, keeping products relevance, instant and constant promoting, on-going identification etc.)</p>

Section B			
6*		<p>Level 5 - 25-30 marks Campaign plans will include an excellent understanding of online planning tools used to reach audiences against the campaign goals and target audience requirements. There is a comprehensive discussion of channels used to reach the audience. Content plans for the campaign are wholly appropriate and justified. Milestones have been fully considered. Sentences and paragraphs, consistently relevant, have been well structured, using appropriate technical terminology. There may be few, if any, errors of spelling, punctuation and grammar.</p> <p>Level 4 - 19-24 marks Campaign plans will include a good understanding of online planning tools, and/or social media channels used to reach audiences against the campaign and target audience requirements. There is a considered discussion of channels used to reach the audience. Content plans for the campaign are appropriate and sometimes justified. Milestones have been considered. There will be some errors of spelling, punctuation and grammar but these are unlikely to be intrusive or obscure meaning.</p> <p>Level 3 - 13-18 marks Campaign plans will include a sound understanding of online planning tools, used to reach audiences against the campaign and target audience requirements. There is a reasonable discussion of channels used to reach the audience. Content plans for the campaign are mostly appropriate. Milestones are sometimes considered.</p>	<p>30</p> <p>The response will discuss:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Online planning tools • Social media channel used to reach the audience • Content plans • Key milestones <p>For a Level 5 answer the ideas will be justified with reference to the case study campaign goals and target audience requirements.</p> <p>(There is an element of synoptic knowledge in this question linked to Unit 2 – LO4 be able to create and evaluate pre-production documents for a new media product)</p>

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		<p>Level 2 - 7-12 marks Campaign plans will include a basic understanding of online planning tool and/or social media channels used to reach audiences against the campaign and target audience requirements. There is some discussion of channels used to reach the audience. Content plans for the campaign are appropriate. Basic consideration of milestones is demonstrated.</p> <p>Level 1 - 1-6 marks Campaign plans will include a limited understanding of online planning tools, social media channels used to reach audiences against the campaign and target audience requirements. There is a limited discussion of channels used to reach the audience. Content plans for the campaign are sometimes appropriate. Limited or no consideration is given to milestones.</p> <p>0 marks – response not worthy of any credit.</p>		

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