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Monday 19 May 2025 – Afternoon

A Level Media Studies

H409/01 Media messages

Resource Booklet

Time allowed: 2 hours



INSTRUCTIONS

- Use the sources in this Resource Booklet to answer Questions 1, 2 and 5.
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INFORMATION

- This document has **8** pages.

Source A – The Guardian Twitter feed, 12 June 2023

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The Guardian
@guardian

Rishi Sunak would block Boris Johnson comeback as Tory MP, sources say



From theguardian.com

6:52 PM · Jun 12, 2023 · 45K Views

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Source A and **Source B** refer to the resignation of former UK Prime Minister Boris Johnson as an MP after several scandals, including a report that found he had lied to Parliament.

Rishi Sunak became Prime Minister after Johnson. Some members of the Conservative Party blamed Sunak for Johnson's resignation.

On the same day as Johnson's resignation, the Government released an 'honours list' of people Johnson had rewarded for supporting him. Some people felt he should not have been allowed to do this.

One comment refers to an OBE, which is a type of award given to people on the honours list. Another comment refers to (Richard) Nixon who was US President in the 1970s and resigned because of a scandal.

Twitter is the former name of the social media platform X.



· Jun 12, 2023

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Well I believe it is possible

Cause when man sleep's in the dream world anything is possible

So maybe He wasn't talking about reality in the first place 🤔🤔



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Shame he didn't block his honours list



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Really? He couldn't even block the hairdresser getting an OBE.



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Kneecapping then, public wants, public gets.

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Kneecapping then, public wants, public gets.



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Why he fits right in. The only requirement to work in parliament is that you be corrupt.



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Source B – *The Daily Telegraph* Twitter feed, 12 June 2023

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Source C – front cover of *The Big Issue*, 24 April 2023

The front cover refers to *The Rocky Horror Picture Show*, a cult musical film from the 1970s written by Richard O'Brien. It features the film's main character, Frank-N-Furter, played by actor Tim Curry in drag, and uses an iconic image (the lips) and typeface associated with the film. The coverlines refer to two songs from the film: 'The Time Warp' (which includes the lyric 'just a step to the right') and 'Sweet Transvestite'. *The Rocky Horror Picture Show* was notable for its positive representations of gay and trans characters at a time when this was socially unusual.

Other coverlines refer to home rental laws, and to television and radio personality Clive Anderson, who presented shows in the 1980s and 1990s, including *Clive Anderson Talks Back*. 'Banana skin bacon' is a meat-free alternative to bacon, made from banana peel.

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