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MEDIA STUDIES **9607/42**

Paper 4 Critical Perspectives **May/June 2023**

2 hours



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 Assess the idea that media regulation is always designed to prevent harm. [15]

Postmodern media

2 'The key characteristic of postmodern media is complexity.' To what extent do you agree with this statement? [15]

Power and the media

3 'Only a few people get to decide what is "true" in the media.' How far do you agree with this statement? [15]

Section B: Media ecology

4 Explain why people's personal data is so valuable to media companies. [30]

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