GLEE

Tv Study

Media Studies 20

Who are the losers in your school? How do you know that? Does it matter how they look, who their friends are, what clubs they belong to or their family situation? What makes you popular in our school? Is it who you hang out with? The clothes you wear? The car you drive? What teams or clubs you are in?

Television does a great job of giving us a world we can escape to for a short length of time during the course of show. Sometimes though, the realities of our world creeps into what we see on TV.

The show “Glee” has started to become quite popular during its time slot on FOX with its viewers. Why? Is it because of the music? Is it because of the characters? Is it because of the humor? Is it because of the storyline? Is it because that it does a decent job of showing the issues that teens face while they are in high school and how they deal with it?

Those are a lot of questions that keep people tuning in every Wednesday night.

Over the next number of weeks, we are going to have a TV study on this show. You will be in charge of keeping track of each episodes questions (which will be given to you before we watch the show). Remember, these questions are “opinion” questions which means that each of you will have a different answer based on your own view point.

I do expect a lot of thought into these answers as I always like to ask the “Why?”  
Each handout will be worth 10 marks to you. There are 13 episodes. This means, at the end of this project, there will be 130 marks given to you. Your thoughts an opinions is what gets you to those 10 marks ever week (we will watch 1 episode per week, in this class).

Do your best in answering the questions. Take them home over the weekend and work on them. I will ask them to be handed in on Monday.

**Episode 1 (pilot episode)**

\*\*Please use full and complete answers in your questions. \*\*

1. What does the term “pilot episode” mean in terms of a TV show?

1. What is the setting for the show? Why do you think the writer’s of the show chose this setting to tell their story?

The setting of this show is a high school, house and football yard, glee room, then the rest of their school. Then the writers choose the setting’s because this is a typical high school.

1. In your own words, what is this show about? You don’t have to make this too long. Just a paragraph will do.

This is show is about an high school that there are

4. Who are three characters that appeal to you in this show and why?

a.

b.

c.

5. What does the music have to do with this show? Is it used for something other than just having something for the characters to sing Think about, and listen to, the songs that they are singing?