

NEW CUTTING EDGE

UPPER INTERMEDIATE

Module 12 – Media mania

- 1 Do you know the names of any British TV and radio channels? Talk to your partner and make a list.
- 2 You are going to find out about programmes on British radio and TV. Type in: <http://www.radiotimes.com>. When the main page appears you will see **TODAY'S HIGHLIGHTS**.
- 3 Look at the TV and radio programmes on this page. Browse the different programmes listed. To see more information about any of the programmes, click on the title of the programme.

Which would you be interested in watching or listening to? _____

Which would you not be interested in watching or listening to? _____

Compare your answers with your partner.

- 4 Click on **FILM REVIEWS** from the bar at the top of the page. A list of new releases will appear. To see more information about the films, click on the titles. Write the names of two films you would be interested in seeing:

1 _____ 2 _____

Tell your partner about the films you would be interested in seeing.

- 5 Select **TV** from the bar at the top of the page. You can see the programmes which are showing today on the different British channels. Write the names of the programmes currently showing on:

BBC 1 _____

Channel 4 _____

- 6 Click on **RADIO** from the bar at the top of the page. A list of the programmes which are currently broadcasting will appear. Browse through the different radio stations. To see more information about the programmes, click on the programme title. To see the programmes later on today, click on the arrow beside the time. Choose three programmes that you would be interested in listening to today and write them below.

Time			
Radio station			
Programme			

Now tell your partner about the programmes you have chosen.

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TEACHER'S NOTES:

Aim: For students to find information in English on the internet about radio and TV programmes in Britain. This webquest links to the theme of the unit and can be used at any time during the unit.

Time: Approximately 45 minutes.

Materials: Photocopies of the worksheet for each student.

- 1 Students talk to their partners and make a list of any British TV or radio channels they can name. Get feedback from the class.
- 2 Tell students they are going to find out about programmes on British radio and TV. Students browse the different programmes listed. Tell them that if they want to see more about the programmes, they can click on the title of the programme.

Students write the name of a programme they would be interested in watching or listening to and a programme they would not be interested in watching/listening to. Students can then compare their answers with their partners.

- 3 Students then select **FILM REVIEWS** from the bar at the top of the page and browse the films to find two films they would be interested in seeing. Students can again compare the films they have chosen with their partners and explain why they have chosen those films.
- 4 Students now select **TV** from the bar at the top of the page. Students write the names of the programmes currently showing on BBC 1 and Channel 4.
- 5 Students now select **RADIO** from the bar at the top of the page. When the list of the programmes currently broadcasting appears, students browse through the different radio stations. To see more information about the programmes, students can click on the programme title. To see the programmes later on that day students can click on the arrow beside the time. Students choose three programmes that they would be interested in listening to that day and write them in the table. Students then tell their partners about the programmes they have chosen.