

Health and Social Care

Desirable Task



It is important to make the public aware about the issues which are prevailing in society relating to health and social care. One way in which public awareness is raised about health and social care in general and the issues that exist in the sector, is through the media.

Your task is to choose 2-3 different sources from:

- Films
- Book
- Documentaries

You will then be asked to write an essay with the following title:

‘Discuss the portrayal of Health and Social Care within the media’

You must watch/read the stimuli you have picked and create notes to help with your essay. Consider the following;

- What issues, if any, are being raised in the stimulus?
- How does the stimulus present H&SC?
- Is the stimulus informative/helpful and why?
- Are there any quotes/scenes etc that stand out to you and why?
- How effective is the stimulus in raising public awareness about H&SC/Issues?

This list is NOT exhaustive there may be other questions/ideas you wish to consider as you watch or read.

Below are some examples of programmes, films and books which look at sensitive topics. I would advise you read around the stimulus before you pick it to ensure it is something you feel comfortable watching /reading, please check with your parent/ carer as well.

You can choose to use the examples below or other film/ TV programmes/ Documentary's or books you are aware of or currently watch which involve health and/ or social care issues.

Documentaries and TV programmes



BBC – Life and Birth

ITV – Ross Kemp on the NHS Frontline

BBC – The Children’s Hospital

You could also consider programmes and series you currently watch which involve physical illness, mental health, learning disabilities etc.

Born to Be Different

Home Episodes Articles



Books

