

Discussion Questions for Talking to Kids and Teens about Media

MEDIA = books, movies, video games, television programs, articles, videos, etc.

1. Who made this work and why?
2. What is the historical context of this work?
3. What is the political agenda of the creator?
4. What does this work as a whole say about God, mankind, and the state of the world?
5. What does this work say is our biggest problem?
6. What does this work say is the solution to that problem? Is that solution attainable? Or is life hopeless?
7. What message do we get from each character? Is that message the same message the director/author is trying to convey?
8. Is the author/director siding with a particular character? How can you tell?
9. What does the Bible say about the issues in the work?
10. Can you think of any relevant passages from the Bible that support or oppose the themes in this work?
11. Is the message of this work Biblical?
12. Are there any truths in this work?
13. Are there dangerous lies in this work that we should be wary of?
14. What does this work have to do with the way we live our lives? What does this work tell us to do?

#1 Rule of Media Discussions

Have the discussion!

#2 Rule of Media Discussions

Be open to hearing your children's opinions instead of quizzing for a "right answer." Keep probing with gentle and sincere questions to understand their views.

