

Pop Culture & the Media
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Lesson plan – X-Men Uncanny

What? Analyze different media used to tell an adapted story

How? Compare their reading of X-Men to the cartoon adaptation

Why? Be apply key ideas of media studies in superhero pop culture.

Students will be able to analyze different media used to tell an adapted story by comparing their reading of X-Men to the cartoon adaptation so that they will be able to apply key ideas of media studies in superhero pop culture.

1. Introduce material (4-4:05)
 - a. time frame
 - b. social issues
2. Questions to consider while watching: (4:05-4:10)
 - i. What changed?
 - ii. What did the animators keep?
 - iii. Significance of that change?
3. Watch animated version, 42 minutes (4:10-4:55)
4. Discuss findings (4:55-5:10)
 - a. As you read think about what the ideology is behind these comics.
 - b. How are X-men different than previous superheroes we have talked about?
 - c. What social issues are being alluded to?
 - d. What does being a mutant a metaphor for?
 - e. How is the medium affecting the message?
 - f. Why have x-men become part of pop culture?
5. Go over essay prompt (5:10-5:20)