Chapter 4: Viewing 27

Coca Cola

Approach: One to one Level: Year 4 and year 8

Resources: Videotape containing two TV commercials promoting Coca-Cola.



Teenager dreams of fame on the stage. When famous it is Coke that is drunk in the breaks



Questions/instructions

We are going to watch two TV commercials about Coke, then I will ask you what you think about them.

Show video (both commericals)

- 1. Why do you think there are two different commercials for Coke, one with polar bears and seals, and the other with pop and rock music? *Prompt:What do you mean by that?*
- 2. Who do you think would most like to watch the polar bear commercial for Coke? *Prompt:Who else? What kind of people?*
- 3. Who do you think would like to watch the pop and rock commercial for Coke?

 Prompt: Who else? What kind of people?

Key concept is appealing to different markets to promote sales.		9071ses y8
Quality of explanation:		
clearly articulated with		
appropriate examples	5	7
good ideas but		
not fully developed	37	46

on right track

but vague 40 43

YEAR 8 ONLY very limited 18 4

4. Why might the polar bear commercial make them want to buy Coke? Prompt: What techniques have the advertisers used in the commercial to try to get people to want to buy Coke?

range of good ideas with examples	-	5
good ideas, partially developed	-	27
on right track but vague	-	45
very limited	_	23

	% response	
5. Why might the pop and rock commercial make them want to buy Coke? Prompt: What techniques have the advertisers used in the commercial to try to get people to want to buy Coke?	<i>y</i> 4	<i>y</i> 8
range of good ideas with examples	-	5
good ideas, partially developed	-	28
on right track but vague	-	54
very limited	-	13
6. Why didn't the advertisers tell us more about Coke in these two commercials? good explanation some good ideas very limited		8 49 43
YEAR 4 AND YEAR 8 7. Do you think one of these commercials is more likely than the other to get people to want to buy Coke? Which one? Why do you say that?		
Commercial chosen: Rock & Pop	16	30
Polar bear	64	37
both	13	0,
both	-3	_/

Commentary

Students were asked to discuss the impact of two alternative commercials for a product to see if they could explain how they were designed for particular markets. Year 4 students were not asked questions 4, 5 or 6. The results for questions 7 and 8 clearly show how different commercials appeal to different markets.

no choice