Gerbner

Where do I use this?

Media Regulation - Cultivation theory and Gerbner can be used in essays on regulation most directly. If Gerbner is right, then the media is responsible shaping the audience's attitudes towards the real world, we are more frightened that we should be?

Postmodern Media - Cultivation theory can also be used to support Baudrillard's idea that we could be living in a postmodern hyperreality. In which we believe the truth of the simulation more than our experiences in our day to day lives.

Media Ecology - These ideas are useful for a discussion on Media Ecology, especially in so far as they are now challenged by a fractured / atomised media experience; the web of one. We each have our own feeds which are populated by algorithms seeking to monetise our attention...I consume (ads & brands) therefore I am!