



Ormiston
Horizon Academy



OHA Honours Programme.

Expanding Horizons in English.

Point Values		
	2	3
4	5	10

- Complete tasks from the list below and record what you have done in your learning journal.
- Collecting points allows you to earn a bronze, silver and gold maths award.

	Date Started	Date Completed	Points Earned
Read a book from the English Honours Programme Reading List. Keep a reading journal entry exploring the characters, themes, language and ideas in the text.			
Read three books from the English Honours Programme Reading List. For each book, record your favourite aspect, an important quotation and one idea you would like to discuss with others.			
Read a book from the Honours Programme Reading List that is outside your usual genre or style of reading. Explain how it broadened your reading experience.			
Recommend a book from the Honours Programme Reading List to another student. Create a short book recommendation explaining who you think would enjoy it and why.			
Watch a TED Talk about language, communication, storytelling or public speaking. Suggested talks include <i>The Secrets of Learning a New Language</i> by Lýdia Machová, <i>The Power of Vulnerability</i> by Brené Brown or			

<i>How to Speak So That People Want to Listen</i> by Julian Treasure. Record three key ideas and explain how the speaker communicates effectively.			
Watch a TED Talk of your own choice connected to English, literature, language, communication or an issue that interests you. Record the title, speaker, three key ideas and your personal response.			
Attend a literary event, author talk, poetry reading or creative writing workshop. Write a reflection explaining what you learnt about reading, writing or the work of an author.			
Attend an event at the Stoke Book Festival. Choose from an author talk, poetry event, creative writing workshop or other literary activity. Record what you learnt and how the experience broadened your horizons.			
Attend an event with a local Staffordshire writer or poet. Find out about their work and prepare three questions before attending. After the event, record what you discovered.			
Attend a poetry or writing event organised by Writer Types Stafford. Write a reflection on one of the writers, poems or writing techniques you encountered.			

Attend a literary event and write a review of it. Your review should consider the speaker/performer, content, audience and effectiveness.			
Attend a creative writing workshop and produce a piece of writing inspired by the session. Explain which techniques or ideas you took from the workshop.			
Attend a book event and ask an author a question. Record the question, their response and what it made you think about their writing.			
Stretch Activities			
Read five books from the Honours Programme Reading List and create a comparison showing recurring themes, different writing styles or contrasting representations of an issue.			
Attend two different literary events and compare the experiences. Consider how authors, poets or speakers communicate differently with an audience.			

Watch two TED Talks on different aspects of communication. Compare the speakers' use of language, structure, tone, body language and rhetorical techniques.			
Give a short presentation to your English group about a book from the Honours Programme Reading List. Aim to persuade your audience to read it.			
Create a podcast episode about a book from the Honours Programme Reading List, discussing its themes, characters, context and your personal response.			