

Stage 4 and 5 'Be Heard' task Frequently Asked Questions



There will be many questions surrounding the 'Be Heard' assessment task. This sheet is intended to be supplementary to the task notification handed out to you in class. Below you will find some of the more common questions that students will have about the requirements of the task.

PLANNING

Will I be given time in class to plan it? Yes. You will be given one period in class to plan and decide on the content of your project. You will be asked to complete a project profile on Google Classroom with the details of your choices.

Can I change my mind and my project profile once I have shown the teacher? Yes, you can.

PROJECT

Will I be given time in class to work on it and finish it? Yes BUT only one period at the start of the process. After your initial planning period. After this time, you are expected to complete the task in your own time. **If you are absent** for the planning period, you must do this in your own time.

Can I work on it at school in my own time? Yes. If you negotiate with your teacher, it is possible to arrange a laptop to use in one of the English classrooms at recess or lunchtime. It is expected that you will be respectful of the classroom environment and you will NOT be permitted to bring friends with you unless they are ALSO completing their project.

What if I don't have a computer or the internet at home? Please refer to the answer above.

Can I use Prezi? No. You will not be permitted to submit a Prezi as your visual content. This is due to the abundance of Prezi material already available on the internet and to eliminate the possibility of plagiarism as the content must be all your own work.

Can I still get an A without technology? Yes. The visual component is not exclusively linked to technology. You may use posters, pictures, items and any other visual features.

What if I need an extension? You will need to apply, in writing, for an extension from your teacher **AT LEAST two school days** before the due date. You will need to provide an official, **VALID** reason for needing the extension.

PRESENTATION

Do I only have to hand in my task electronically? No. You will submit a copy of your presentation through Google Classroom. Years 7-9 must have theirs submitted **before 8.25am on the due date, even if you do not have class on the day!** All submissions will be time stamped and any late entries will be penalised. Year 10 must submit their presentations through Google Classroom during the first lesson of the week. **You must also provide a printed transcript of your spoken content on the day that the task is due.** This will be checked against the content delivered.

What if I don't hand my transcript in on time? As you have been asked to all submit a transcript on the due date for the task, as well as being prepared to present on that day, it is unfair to other students if you have more time available to work on your presentation. If you do not have the transcript on the day, you will be penalised:

- **Yr 7 and 8** = 25% of your final mark for 1 day late. 50% for 2 days late. A mark of 0 for three or more days late.
- **Yr 9 and 10** = a mark of zero if there is no official paperwork provided (illness or misadventure form from back of policy booklet)

What if I don't have any visuals? This is a multi-modal presentation and, as such, we expect that you include some visual element, either electronic or hard copy, to show the class while you are speaking. If you do not have any visuals, you will receive a mark of zero for the relevant outcomes. Marking criteria is on the back of your task notification.

What if I am too nervous to present the task? Everyone will be nervous when they present their task and we understand that this can be daunting. Talk to your teacher about options such as recording your voice over the presentation and playing the whole thing together on the day.