Option 1 – Write Your Own Psalm

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Choose one of the following topics and write a short

Psalm of at least 8 lines.

* songs **of thanksgiving**
* hymns of **praise**
* **Praying/asking for help**

Place your chosen topic in the circle of the empty spider diagram below.

On each of the legs of the spider list something you want to either pray for, thank God for or praise him for.

Keep adding another layer to the diagram as I have in this example.

*Family*

*diversity*

*Jesus Thanksgiving the Earth beauty (e.g. oceans)*

*richness*

Now begin to put the words into sentences like in a poem or song. You will need 8 lines, try a few in the space below.

Write your notes in the space below. When you have finished your draft, please present your final copy creatively. (It can be typed or handwritten, you could possibly use creative font or illustrations, present it with a photo or drawing for inspiration, compose a song, put it in a PowerPoint, video yourself reading it or singing it – use your imagination!)

*Remember it needs to be like a poem or song as the original psalms of the Bible were.*

*You can look at the psalms in the Bible for some inspiration.*

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| **Marking Guide** | |
| * Demonstrates extensive planning * Presents a sustained, logical, well-structured and creative psalm using relevant terminology and concepts | 9-10 |
| * Demonstrates planning * Presents a logical and creative psalm using relevant terminology and concepts | 7-8 |
| * Demonstrates some planning * Presents a complete psalm | 5-6 |
| * Refers to statements about the psalms or makes statements that could form a psalm * Uses some appropriate terminology and/or concepts | 3-4 |
| * Makes a general statements relevant to the Unit | 0-2 |

Option two - Creatively Present One of the Psalms

 Choose one of the Psalms from the Old Testament and

1. Write a short report (100-200 words) which includes the following information

* What kind of Psalm it is?
* Who wrote it and what instruments should be used to play it (if this is mentioned)?
* What is the Psalm about? Describe the main message of the Psalm.
* Explain why you chose this Psalm – what do you like about it?

1. Present the Psalm in one of the following ways:
2. PowerPoint slides of the words with illustrations and music to bring out the meaning of the Psalm.
3. A short film clip of yourself or someone else reading/presenting the Psalm creatively.
4. A presentation to the via video (the Psalm presented using drama/dance/music/song – of your own creation)
5. A piece of art which was inspired by the Psalm (include a printed copy of the psalm with a photo of the artwork).
6. Another way approved by your teacher.

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| **Marking Guide** | |
| * Demonstrates extensive understanding of the type of psalm selected * Describes the meaning of the psalm * Presents a sustained, logical and well-structured and creative presentation using relevant terminology and concepts * Provides appropriate reflection on the psalm | 9-10 |
| * Demonstrates knowledge of the type of psalm selected * Identifies a possible meaning of the psalm * Presents a logical and creative presentation using relevant terminology and concepts * Provides reflection on the psalm | 7-8 |
| * Makes statements about psalms * Demonstrates some knowledge of a psalm * Comments on reasons for selecting the psalm * Presents a psalm in one of the approved methods | 5-6 |
| * Refers to statements about the psalms * May refer to information about a psalm * Uses some appropriate terminology and/or concepts | 3-4 |
| * Makes a general statement about faith and art * May make limited reference to the Stations of the Cross * Makes limited reference to information/terms, which may not be correct/appropriate | 0-2 |