

Suggestions for Teaching Songs in the English Classroom

A successful song lesson involves and motivates your students. Here are some useful tips:

- 1 Use visuals, such as flashcards, to pre-teach vocabulary in a fun and involving way. This also helps to create interest in your song's theme.
- 2 Visuals can also be used to teach the song through a rebus. Use pictures instead of written words to teach the song lyrics and help students of any age understand the song.
- 3 Make up actions for chunks of language in the song.
- 4 For low-level or very young learners, only teach part of the song. You sing the song, and they can join in at the part that they know.
- 5 Get your students up and out of their seats, if you have the space, and introduce them to the rhythm of the song before they sing.
- 6 Teach the song verse by verse to make it easier for them to remember.