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# Song Pieces 2024!

# Fun Listening Activity For ELT



### DESCRIPTION:

In this ELT song-based activity, students WORK in teams (or individually), LISTEN to 5 different short song extracts (Hollow Covers - Photographs; Dean Lewis - Trust Me Mate; Liam Gallagher & John Squire - Just Another Rainbow; NSYNC - Better Place and Sir Chloe - Seventeen), and IDENTIFY different things like verb tenses, vocabulary, comparatives, etc, in each one.

OBS: This lesson plan was made for ONLINE TEACHING, but it can be modified for face-to-face instruction, as well.

**Language level:** A2/B1

**Learner type:** All ages

**Skills:** listening, writing,

**Grammar:** present continuous, comparative adjectives, prepositions & colors

**Materials:** YT video

**Duration:** 15 - 20 min



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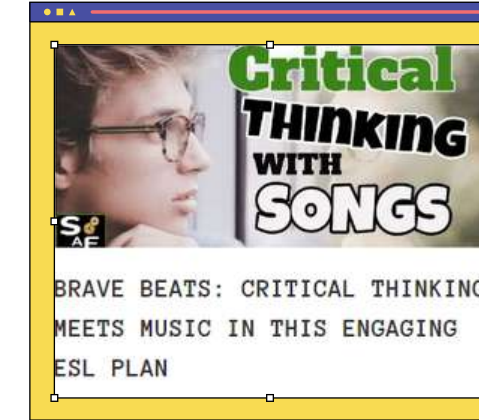
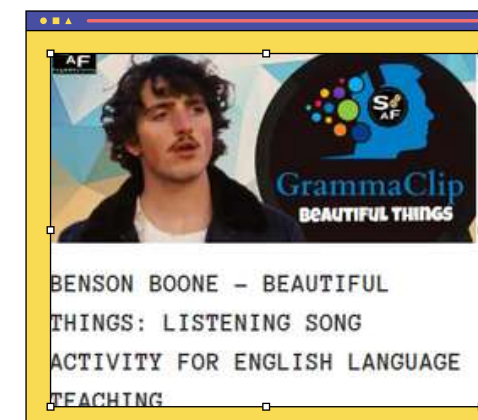


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# STEP-BY-STEP LESSON PLAN

## Step 1

Divide students into pairs or trios (it can also be done individually, depending on the number of students), and tell them they are going to listen to various extracts of songs and in each one they have to listen to different grammar structures and vocabulary and write them down on a blank sheet of paper.

## Step 2

Tell them they have 3 chances to try to get the right words or grammar structures. Then, play the first song and pause on the screen to reveal what they are supposed to listen for in the song extract. Make sure they know what they are supposed to identify by asking them to give you examples of the structures and writing them on the board.

They will have 3 chances as the extract is recorded 3 times in a row before the next one. As they listen to the extract, they must write down the answer for the first song.. Here's the [LINK](#) for the YouTube Video

## Step 3

Check what the teams wrote down (you can use the chat feature of the application you're using with your online students. ex: [in-meeting chat in zoom](#) , and ask them to use it to send you the answers.

Assign points. (1 for each right item, if there is more than 1 one item in the recording)

## Step 4

Repeat steps 2, 3, 4 for the next song extracts. The team with more points, in the end, is the winner!

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## ANSWERS

**Song 1: Hollow Coves - Photographs (identify 2 verbs in the Pres.Cont. We're living in a digital age /The kids are playing video games The photographs never get framed /And nothing is quite the same**

**Song 2: Dean Lewis - Trust Me Mate (identify 2 comparative adjectives) the pain Only makes it worse /And if it gets worse Before it gets better /Don't be afraid to fall /'Cause I won't let you**

**Song 3: Liam Gallagher & John Squire - Just Another Rainbow (identify 7 colors Red and orange, yellow and green Blue, indigo, violet**

**Song 4: NSYNC - Better Place (identify 4 comparative adjectives) I don't mind if the world spins faster /The music's louder, the waves get stronger /I don't mind if the world spins faster Faster, faster Just let me take you to a better place**

**Song 5: Sir Chloe - Seventeen (identify 3 prepositions) Cavalry, the ground it meets /Shaking underneath my feet Look at me, so incomplete /Turn me into seventeen**

That's it for this week! I hope this activity is helpful and enjoyable!

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