

Jigsaw Viewing with Sia's adorable Snowman!

Quick Lesson Overview:

This song-based **STEP-BY-STEP LESSON PLAN** for **ENGLISH** language **TEACHING** features the lyrics and music video for "SNOWMAN" by **SIA**. Students **PLAY** a hangman game with a sentence from the song, **WATCH** a vocabulary video with words related to the music video, **SPECULATE** on the music genre based on a word cloud, do a **JIGSAW VIEWING** with the music video, **WRITE** a short narrative about the video, **READ** other students' narratives in a collaborative Google Doc, and **DO** a listening exercise with an interactive worksheet.

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

Language level: B1 and above

Learner type: All ages

Skills: speaking, reading, listening and writing

Topic: winter activities, Christmas

Language/grammar: narrative sequencing, agreement/disagreement

Materials: YouTube videos (music video and **vocabulary video**), google slides, collaborative google doc and interactive worksheet.

Duration: 1 hour or so

Download your free teaching resources: ; [google slides](#); **IMPORTANT:** to make a copy of the slides, click on "file", then "make a copy" 😊
[collaborative google doc](#) (for you to make a copy you can edit)

How to Teach English with Sia's Snowman: Step-by-Step Instructions

Step 1 (5 min)

Play hangman with the phrase "DON'T CRY, SNOWMAN". You can use this app made with [learningapps.org](#) if you prefer>>>>
<https://learningapps.org/view15331996>

Step 2 (3 min)

Play the [vocabulary video](#) 2x (send the link to your students via chat box, so they can watch on their devices twice)

Words in the video:

Carrots, stick, snow, snowman, pull cart, pull, push, North Pole, castle, sled, melt, ice box

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ESL Vocabulary Video for Sia's Snowman:

Step 3 (5 min)

Screen-share the word cloud (slide 1) with words from the song Snowman by Sia.

Have students say if they can identify which song you are going to work with.

Ask them to say what kind of song they think it is based on the words.



Step 4 (7 min)

Jigsaw viewing:

Divide the class into two groups, A and B. Group A stays in the main room with you to watch the music video.

Group B goes to the breakout room and waits.

Tell Group A to pay careful attention to the music video because they are going to retell the story to the others.

Step 5 (12 min)

Group B comes back to the main room.

Now pair students from each group: Student A + Student B in breakout rooms. Student A retells the story from the video to student B who types it on the notepad or word doc. Give them a time limit of 10 min for the task.

Step 6 (10 min)

Back to the main room, share the link to the collaborative google doc (via chat box) with the designated spaces for the pairs to paste their texts.

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Students read all the narratives. Highlight the mistakes, but do not correct them now. Assign the correction for Homework.

Step 7 (5 min)

Play the video again for everyone this time (or send the link for them to watch on their devices), so students in group B can see the video too.

Have some students compare their narratives to the music video. You can also have a vote on the most detailed one.

Step 8 (10 min)

Share the link to the [interactive worksheet](#). ([PDF WORKSHEET HERE](#)) Students listen to the song and drag the lyrics to their correct place in the song. To check, tell students to click on **FINISH!!** and then, CHECK MY RESULTS!

LYRICS TO SNOWMAN

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