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Abstract. This study regards the role of films and songs in English language teaching. The aim of the study was to investigate how films and songs can be used as resources in the improvement of listening skills in the English language. Moreover, this study tried to highlight the value of songs and films as teaching tools and to provide evidence that students would benefit from the addition of songs and films without changing the basic type of material covered.

110 students of a primary school and a language school were instructed for a whole term and tested every month for the purposes of this study. The addition of films and songs in the experimental groups revealed significant improvement compared to the control groups. We suggest that language teachers can and should use songs and films as part of their classroom teaching plan.

Keywords: EFL learning, listening skills, film, songs, motivation