

# Including English Language Learners in the Music Room

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- Use visuals and model as much as you possibly can
- Learn how to say hello, goodbye, music, and any other small greeting or command you might use in their native language
- Learn how to pronounce their name correctly!!
- Use the translate option on google docs to translate a note or email that needs to be sent home (be careful with languages that read from right to left though. It does not always translate very accurately that way)
- Find folk music or music using their family's native language and use it in class. A few examples that I've had good luck with are Ye Toop Doram (Farsi), Mi Cuerpo (Spanish), and Xin Nian Kuai Le (Chinese).
- Use the app google translate if you are having a language barrier and can't communicate with each other
- Celebrate their diversity! Check out my lesson for a foolproof way to make the EL students in your classroom light up!