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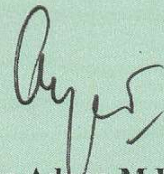
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
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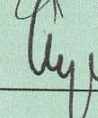
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Among the four language skills, listening is one of the language skills that must be mastered and is important to be taught by a teacher to students in learning English. In line with the importance of listening, a teacher must be creative to make listening learning more enjoyable. One of them is by applying interesting and appropriate technique and media in listening learning. So, students are interested and motivated to learn it. In this paper, the author discusses how to improve student listening comprehension through the LyricsTraining.com online site. This website uses music video as a more interesting learning tool to practice English language skills, especially Listening. LyricsTraining provides authentic, complete, new and interesting listening learning materials from various types of music videos on YouTube. In addition to students, the teacher can also make his own material by creating an account on the Lyricstraining.com site. Through writing this paper the authors hope to introduce listening learning technique and media that can motivate students and apply English in their daily lives.

**Keywords:** *Listening, Listening Technique, Online learning website, LyricsTraining.*



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## **CHAPTER I**

### **INTRODUCTION**

#### **1.1 Background of the Problem**

As a language that is commonly used by people today, English has an important role in the development of today's world. English is used widely by the international business community to communicate across national borders and overseas business parties or professionals. English is a need for a variety of jobs like the air hostess, pilot, travel guide, media manager etc. It is the language of diplomacy, people maintaining international relations, international politics communications and meetings across the country. English is essential for getting easy access to any information, media, and Entertainment. Cinemas, cartoons, and other media productions are available in English. Books, novels, histories, stories, poems are also available in English. In Education, English is the medium of instruction in most universities and higher education institutes of the world.

In Indonesia, English is a foreign language. English is the most important foreign language studied in Indonesia. A foreign language taught as a compulsory subject at every level of education. Even it includes in subjects that will be tested in national exams for Junior and Senior high school. The development of International Standard School (RSBI) is also a testament to the importance of English in Indonesian's schools. It is expected that students will not have trouble with the learning process if they want to continue their education abroad because they are accustomed to the instruction language in their class. In addition, there are schools that organize extra English curriculum activities such as English Club,



Which makes each student can communicate freely in English. To summarize, English has an important role both in daily life and in academic contexts, as it is crucial for people to sustain effective communication.

Learning English is very complex because English has four basic skills Listening, Speaking, Reading, and Writing. Moreover, it has three additional abilities like Grammar, Vocabulary, and Pronunciation. All components are very important and should be learned to master English well. However, many students still cannot understand the words or sentences spoken in English verbally by the interlocutor. This means that their listening skills in English are lacking and their vocabulary is limited.

In the school, listening is an essential part of the language process. The student spent the majority of each school day listening and much of what students know is acquired through listening. Although it has long been included in the curriculum of education in Indonesia, many students admitted that they often face problems when learning English.

There are several reasons why many students experience problems when learning about listening. To begin with, the lack of student motivation is believed to be one of the main problems in learning English. This may be due to the nature of a language hardly found in Indonesia, many of them consider it a difficult lesson to learn.

Furthermore, insufficient time is another matter in teaching English. Time in English class is often very short; it is once or twice a week, an hour or two every day for lots of teaching materials. Therefore, lesson plans not developed as

programmed and the next meeting often review of the last unfinished teaching-learning process.

In addition, the lack of resources and materials also brings complexity to the teaching of English. Resources and materials here refer to various objects that can be used for teaching such as models, cards, computers, language laboratories, and so on. They play an important role during the teaching-learning process, as they represent elements in the real world, intended to help students understand and explain reality. Therefore, if the teacher gives little resources and materials, it will make English much more complicated to learners.

The last problem encountered in teaching English is the overcrowding of students in English class. The number of learners in a typical classroom can range from one to 15 or 20 students. However, over thirty students in one classroom is a common situation.

In short, lack of motivation, poorly scheduled time, insufficient resources and materials, and the advantages of students in each class are undoubtedly some of the problems that teachers have to face in teaching English as a foreign language.

Based on the problems regarding listening above, one of the solutions that can be covered all the problems is by using proper to improve students' listening skill. Effective and fun learning media will influence students in learning. Currently, teachers tend to use only one kind of media such as text, audio, visual, and manipulative. Usually, it takes too much time in preparation and tends to be out of date that makes learning boring. If the media is used properly and



effectively, it will increase the student's interest and they will be more experienced with the language they are learning. One of the effective media in English learning, especially in listening is by using computer and internet. Teaching and learning process that is used in computer and internet technology also called E learning. By using the computer and the internet, it can help the teacher in teaching and learning activities.

One of the techniques of using Internet media is by using game in a websites. "LyricsTraining.com" is an interactive self-study website providing authentic materials for the improvement of ESL/EFL listening skills. The listening material consists of primarily authentic, current, and interesting music videos, movie scenes, TV show, Soundtrack and many more from YouTube. The videos are categorized into four levels of difficulty (beginner, intermediate, advanced and expert). "LyricsTraining.com" allows users to play music videos shared on YouTube along with lyrics transcribed by other LyricsTraining users.

## **1.2 Limitation of the Problem**

Based on the background of the problem above, the problem in this paper is limited to the use of "LyricsTraining.com" to improve Listening comprehension.

## **1.3 Formulation of the Problem**

The problem of this paper will be formulated as follow: "How to use "LyricsTraining.com" as a technique to improve Listening comprehension?"

## **1.4 Purpose of the Study**

The main purpose of the paper is to explain the use of "lyricstraining.com" to improve listening comprehension.