Background

- Lidl has historically used cinema to good effect by promoting specific product ranges and seasonal activity – proving how it can help drive both short term ROI for the business as well as longer-term brand awareness.

- Lidl had two primary aims for its forthcoming activity - increase penetration amongst young families and increase the percentage of Lidl customers spending over £40.

- Engaging young families is proving increasingly challenging - in recent years the proliferation of streaming services and the fragmentation of AV media has meant shared family viewing moments at home have substantially decreased.

- However, cinema continues to provide families with the perfect environment to escape together and share in a quality entertainment experience – exactly the sort of true family moment that Lidl wanted to tap into. Knowing cinema attracts a younger, more affluent audience, it was the perfect fit.

Idea

- In order to benefit from the big screen’s ability to create shared family experiences Lidl, DCM and Starcom worked to find a solution to ensure the brand was ‘always-on’ cinema throughout the year without breaking the bank.

- DCM proposed partnering with Cineworld, which has the most cinemas in proximity to Lidl stores, across five highly-anticipated family films over a 14-month-long period – *Mary Poppins Returns*, *Dumbo*, *Toy Story 4*, *The Lion King* and *Frozen II*.

- With an aim to drive action and short-term sales, the partnership with Cineworld incentivised Lidl customers to increase their basket size. Those who spend over £40 in-store were able to upload a photo of their receipt to enter a competition to win Cineworld tickets for the whole family.

- Lidl, in partnership with DCM Studios and Contented, created bespoke ‘Lidl Movie Moment’ idents that would run after Lidl’s brand ad to further drive engagement with the brand and the online competition.

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‘Lidl Movie Moments’

**Results**

- The cinema partnership has delivered beyond expectations for Lidl – associating the brand with five hugely successful family titles and aligning itself with quality family moments, and giving something back to its customers.

- The partnership approach has successfully driven action and consumer engagement with the competition to win Cineworld family tickets receiving over 11,000 entries - five times more than the campaign target.

- Moreover, penetration of young families has increased 2.1% with customers spending over £40 increasing 2.6% - results again exceeding original campaign targets.

**Summary**

- The ‘Movie Moments’ partnership has helped Lidl engage young families and drive action. The success of the competition element is prominent, helping Lidl complete the consumer journey with on-screen activity and ultimately drive customers to spend more in-store.