B2 Listening Coaching and music

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Task 1. You will hear five short extracts in which professional tennis coaches are talking about their work. Choose from the list (A–H) what each speaker says. Use the letters only once. There are three extra letters which you do not need to use.

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A. I am honest about my mistakes.

B. I can choose who I'm going to coach.

C. I find the daily schedule demanding.

D. I enjoy all the travelling involved.

E. I've learned to hide what I'm thinking.

F. I try not to push anyone further than they can manage.

G. I have little time to spend with my family.

H. I prefer working with difficult people.

Speaker 1 ___

Speaker 2 ___

Speaker 3 ___

Speaker 4 ___

Speaker 5 ___

Task 2. Listen to a pianist and songwriter talking about his journey to success. Read the sentences carefully then listen and complete the gaps (1 to 3 words). You'll listen to the recording 3 times.

1. Tony's dream from the very beginning has been to _____ ___ _____ from music.
2. Looking back at his recent success, Tony says he has experienced the best two years of his life _____ _____.
3. While the journey is full of challenges, Tony believes that living with _____ later on is far harder.
4. A documentary about Beethoven completely changed Tony's whole _____ ___ music.

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5. Learning the piano was no longer a _____; it turned into a deep passion.
6. _____ _____ that moved him was at the end of the documentary, when Beethoven saw the audience in tears and joy.
7. He admits that he didn't really care about getting the _____ _____ in his other school subjects.
8. Tony attributes his current success to the _____ _____ _____ he had as a teenager to push through challenges and obstacles.
9. He decided to _____ _____ to composing because he felt a stronger connection to the music he made.
10. One of the most important aspects of being a student at Berklee was the _____ he built with other musicians.
11. In 2016, Tony was _____ _____ _____ with his career by emailing his cover directly to The Chainsmokers' team.
12. The team eventually _____ _____ to him and invited him to join them on tour.
13. It felt pretty crazy to go from sitting in a harmony class to performing in _____ with _____ people.
14. Even now, watching the clips of his solo performances on tour gives him _____.
15. At the end of the tour, Tony did something that was _____ _____: he moved to the city of angels, on the West Coast.

(https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=7qcXi71zd1A)

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