

LEARNING A MUSICAL INSTRUMENT

Read the text and fill in with the correct word for the gap.

Learning to play an instrument (1) _____ that can give a lot of pleasure. It's also an achievement and a skill (2) _____ stays with you for life. Music has a part to play in everyone's life, and has been described (3) _____ a "primary language."

Learning to play an instrument isn't easy at the beginning since (4) _____ takes effort and determination. And while there's nothing wrong with aiming (5) _____ the top, music is definitely (6) _____ something to take up because you think you ought (7) _____ do it.

A lot of adults regret not (8) _____ learnt to play an instrument when they were younger. But it is never (9) _____ late to learn! And the advantages of learning an instrument are far greater than just the pleasure of producing a marvelous sound. When you've progressed far (10) _____, there are lots of amateur groups which you can join (11) _____ you want to be part of a larger group. Once you've reached a good enough standard to join a band or orchestra, you add the team skills like (12) _____ you get from playing sport. There's also a great social side to playing with others, as (13) _____ as the chance to travel through touring.

