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MINI TEST

Ex 1: Complete the text using words from the box.

relate	pay attention	normally	ignoring	limit	concentrate
many	training	skilled	clearly	listening	certain	connection
improve	talking	talks	playing	ignore	learning

Is there a (1) _____ between music and language? According to recent studies, the answer is yes: Music boosts (2) _____ language abilities in the brain. Here is an example.

A study from Northwestern University shows that playing a musical instrument can (3) _____ a person's hearing ability. As a part of the study, two groups of people listened to a person (4) _____ in a noisy room.

The people in the first group were musicians, while those in the second group had no musical (5) _____. The musicians were able to hear the talking person more (6) _____.

Musicians hear better, says study leader Nina Kraus, because they learn to (7) _____ to certain sounds. Think about violinists in an orchestra. When the violinists play with the group, they hear their own instrument and many others, too. But the violinists must listen closely to what they are (8) _____, and (9) _____ the other sounds. In this way, musicians are able to (10) _____ on certain sounds, even in a room with lots of noise.

Ex 2: Choose the correct answer for each gap in the following passage.

Computers are very (1) _____ but they can also cause problems. One kind of problem is with the computer's memory. It is not perfect, so (2) _____ computers lose important information. (3) _____ problem is with the machinery. Computers are machines, and machines can break down. When computers break down, they (4) _____ erase information, like chalk on a blackboard. Or they may stop doing anything at all. And there is another different kind of problem with computers. Some doctors say they may be bad for your (5) _____. They say you should not work with computers all day.

1. A. helpful   B. careful   C. useful   D. A & C

2. A. sometimes   B. hardly   C. never   D. nearly

3. A. Other   B. Another   C. Some   D. Many

4. A. need to   B. must   C. should   D. may

5. A. health   B. healthy   C. healthful   D. healthily

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