

WRITING

An email reply



1 ★ Read the emails. Which piece of advice does Daniel not give?

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| 1 find a good teacher ☐ | 3 borrow a guitar ☐ |
| 2 buy an expensive guitar ☐ | 4 watch videos ☐ |

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TO: Daniel

FROM: Monica

Hi Daniel

Jack told me that you took up the guitar this year. I'm hoping to learn how to play too, but I'm not sure. Is it very difficult? Any advice?

All the best

Monica

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TO: Monica

FROM: Daniel

Hi Monica

I'm so glad you wrote to me. Playing the guitar is fun so ¹ I would recommend learning it. It's difficult at the beginning, so ² _____ find a teacher. My teacher was really patient, and he never got annoyed with me when I did something silly. Also, ³ _____ to borrow someone else's guitar for the first few weeks, until you're sure you enjoy it. ⁴ _____, don't go out and buy an expensive guitar and then change your mind. Who wants to waste money like that?

You're probably eager to start learning songs, but first try to learn basic things like where to put your fingers. When you find a teacher, ⁵ _____ taking classes more often at the beginning? I took three classes a week to get a good start.

Online videos were really helpful, and I'm grateful to my teacher for suggesting that I watch them.

Anyway, good luck!

All the best

Daniel



2 ★★ Complete the email with the *Useful language*.

- a Whatever you do
- b it would definitely help to
- c why don't you suggest
- d ~~I would recommend~~
- e it might be better

Write an email reply.

PLAN

3 ★★ Look at Laurie's email and think of pieces of advice.

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Hi

I'm really insecure about my exam, and I'm feeling very nervous. Have you got any advice?

Laurie

Make notes on what you think she should and shouldn't do.

Do: _____

Don't: _____

WRITE

4 ★★★ Write your email reply. Remember to include the advice you thought of from Exercise 3, *Useful language* for recommending and suggesting (see Student's Book, p89), and reasons for your suggestions.

CHECK

5 Do you ...

- say what Laurie should do?
- say what Laurie should not do?
- think the advice is useful?