

You will hear someone giving a talk about sports psychology. For questions 9–18, complete the sentences with a word or short phrase.

The speaker says that as a schoolboy he had no (9) \_\_\_\_\_.

Matthew Syed was an Olympic' (10) \_\_\_\_\_.

According to Syed, we need to practise for about (11) \_\_\_\_\_ hours to become a successful sportsperson or musician.

Tiger Woods started learning golf when he was (12) \_\_\_\_\_ years old.

Success in sport becomes more difficult at a later age due to the number of (13) \_\_\_\_\_ we have.

Many successful players came from Syed's (14) \_\_\_\_\_.

Syed attributes his own success to having a particularly good (15) \_\_\_\_\_.

Andre Agassi has written a book entitled (16) \_\_\_\_\_.

Syed had a bad sporting *experience* in (17) \_\_\_\_\_.

Some sports stars depend a great deal on (18) \_\_\_\_\_ to cope with the pressure of competing.