Music therapy can help children with communication problems

1.- Are the following statements TRUE or FALSE? Copy the evidence from the text. No marks are given for only TRUE or FALSE. (Puntuación máxima: 2 puntos)

a. Children start speaking immediately after their operation.

FALSE “But, after the operation, the child - who has never heard before - undergoes a long rehabilitation process before he or she can begin to speak”

b. According to the text, when parents try to force their children to speak, they become more communicative.

FALSE “She added that the toddlers undergoing rehabilitation are under a lot of pressure from their surroundings - especially their parents- to begin talking, and sometimes this pressure makes them become introverted

2.- In your own words and based on the ideas in the text, answer the following questions. Do not copy from the text (Puntuación máxima: 2 puntos) hay muchas respuestas correctas, lo importante es NO COPIAR DEL TEXTO, o no nos darán puntuación, aun así os proponemos posibles respuestas.

a. How do these children improve after music therapy? They are capable to speak for longer time and also they ask and answer more spontaneously

b. In the rehabilitation sessions, what do children do? They play or do activities that are related to music so they can interact, they are gradually put in contact with different kind of music and different parameters like rhythm or compass.

3.- Find the words in the text that mean: (Puntuación máxima: 1 punto)

a. goes through (paragraph 1) : undergoes

b. small children (paragraph 1) : toddlers

c. appropriate (paragraph 2) : suitable

d. investigators (paragraph 3) : researchers

4.- Complete the following sentences. Use the appropriate form of the word in brackets when given. (Puntuación máxima: 2 puntos)

a. Music, __which/that___constitutes a bridge __between___ the quiet world that the children knew and a
new world of sounds, is used in rehabilitation.

b. These sessions ___are videotaped___ (videotape) and analysed ___to__ show the results.

c. There is still ___a lot of___ work to be done ___by___ researchers in this area.

d. Rewrite the sentence beginning with the words given.

The mother said: “My son has improved his communication with music therapy.”

The mother said that………………her son had improved his communication with music therapy

5.- Write about 100 to 150 words on the following topic. How important is music in your life? Write about your tastes. (Puntuación máxima: 3 puntos)

En las redacciones hay también muchas opciones, tantas como personas ya que tiene que ser algo de invención propia, lo importante es intentar hacer párrafos diferenciados, usar un vocabulario variado y extenso, y emplear un orden lógico.

EJEMPLO:

Music is very important in my life, I love music, I do love music. I listen to the radio every day, at home, in the car…everywhere.

Maybe some people don´t understand why I love music so much, there are some reasons:

Firstly, music is a therapy for our heart it fits with any mood, and there is a special song for every special moment. Besides, it helps us to disconnect our mind, to forget the everyday routines…Furthermore it´s beautiful to listen to music to every kind of music: I like heavy metal, pop, classical music…

Depends on the day, you can hear me singing Metallica´s songs or crying with The lake of the swans.

In conclusion, I only can say that music is a important part in my life, in fact, I have always dreamt that I’m a very famous singer, but I can’t sing, what a pity!!
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Trick or treat! It’s Halloween

1.- Are the following statements TRUE or FALSE? Copy the evidence from the text. No marks are given for only TRUE or FALSE. (Puntuación máxima: 2 puntos)

a) Halloween was originally a Christian celebration.
FALSE “Actually, Halloween originated in Europe as a Celtic New Year celebration. For the Irish, in the Celtic calendar, October 31st was Samhain, a pagan festival”

b) Like the Celts on October 31st, Irish immigrants in the USA wore disguises in order to frighten away the evil souls.
FALSE “They began to dress up in costumes and go from house to house asking for food or money, a practice that eventually became today’s trick-or-treat tradition”

2.- In your own words and based on the ideas in the text, answer the following questions. Do not copy from the text (Puntuación máxima: 2 puntos) hay muchas respuestas correctas, lo importante es NO COPIAR DEL TEXTO, o no nos darán puntuación, aun así os proponemos posibles respuestas.

a) Why does the text say that Halloween is one of the greatest commercial holidays in the United States? Because people spend loads of money in costumes, parties...

b) In what sense is the “trick or treat” tradition similar to the Celtic celebration? The Celts gave food to the souls that were waiting, nowadays people give sweets that are a kind of food.

3.- Find the words in the text that mean: (Puntuación máxima: 1 punto)

a) goods (paragraph 1) : products

b) spectacular (paragraph 1) : stunning

c) in fact (paragraph 2) : actually

d) escaping (paragraph 3) : fleeing
4.- Complete the following sentences with one or more words. Use the appropriate form of the word in brackets when given. (Puntuación máxima: 2 puntos)

a) If children don’t get sweets from their neighbours, they will play tricks on them.

b) The Irish emigrated to America where they could find a better life.

c) although it is an American tradition, interest in Halloween is increasing in Europe.

d) Rewrite the following sentence from the text. Begin with the words given.

d. New York’s Village Halloween Parade attracts two million people who celebrate in the streets.

Two million people are attracted by the New York’s Village Halloween Parade which is celebrated in the streets.

5.- Write about 100 to 150 words on the following topic. Write about a Halloween party or any other party where you went wearing a disguise. (Puntuación máxima: 3 puntos)

En las redacciones hay también muchas opciones, tantas como personas ya que tiene que ser algo de invención propia, lo importante es intentar hacer párrafos diferenciados, usar un vocabulario variado y extenso, y emplear un orden lógico.

EJEMPLO:

Years ago, in my birthday I wanted to do something different, my parties often were funny but I was tired of the typical birthday party. Fortunately, my birthday is in 29th October, so it was very easy to do a birthday-Halloween party.

First of all, I called all my friends and I told them that they should come to my birthday party wearing a Halloween costume and they all came with very funny dresses. Secondly, I prepared a lot of food inspired on Halloween, in fact, they didn’t look like sandwiches or cookies, they seemed to be spiders, mummies, fingers, eyes...

However it’s true the fact that organizing a Halloween party it’s not easy, and it’s more difficult than doing a normal birthday party, and it’s also more expensive.

All of us had a great time, we did a contest and my friend, Jorge, who was wearing a vampire costume won. I got a lot of birthday presents, and it was, for me, one of the best parties in my life.

To sum up, if you want to do a great party and have a great time, I recommend you to do a Halloween party.