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Singing

Each of us with hearing and vocal cords can sing, but many of us do not enjoy this primitive pleasure because of self-consciousness and shame at the sounds we make. As with any other human capacity, the less we sing, the less we believe we are capable of doing it well.

An inability to sing has become so common that there are now classes and camps to help people make, hear, and appreciate the sounds of their own voices. Paul Winter, a gifted musician and composer, often holds summer singing camps for adults. Though he travels and performs internationally to bring musical traditions of different cultures together, and has pioneered the use of natural sounds in his compositions, he finds that getting the silent to sing is one of the most gratifying things in music. With the simple act of singing people's lives change.

Perhaps the need to use all our senses explains why a decrease in such school "extras" as music, art, dance, and gym often seems to parallel the loss of student self esteem caused by other academic subjects. And as adults, we tend to narrow our forms of self-expression even more. Any one of our human capacities, when unused, leaves a small hole in the fabric of our self-esteem. Think of the times you have said: "I can't write," "I can't paint," "I can't run", "I can't dance", "I can't sing." Since this was not literally true, you were really saying: "I'm not acceptable as I am."

Are the following statements TRUE or FALSE? Copy the evidence from the text. No marks are given for only TRUE or FALSE.

✗ Not everybody has the ability to sing

✗ As we grow older, we widen our creativity

Explicación: Para la primera afirmación el párrafo relevante es:

"Each of us with hearing and vocal cords can sing."

La respuesta es falsa ya que la primera frase del texto afirma que cualquiera de nosotros con oído y cuerdas vocales puede cantar.

Mientras que para la segunda es:

"And as adults, we tend to narrow our forms of self-expression even more"

Según el texto, cuando nos hacemos adultos, tendemos a restringir nuestras formas de expresión personal. Es decir, en lugar de ver aumentada nuestra creatividad, ésta se ve limitada por nosotros mismos cuando nos hacemos mayores.