

II. Questions

1. What did the two music experts want to find out with this experiment?
They wanted to find out why the sound of fingernails on a blackboard made people so uncomfortable.
2. What kind of sound makes people feel uncomfortable?
Sounds that have similar frequencies to the human voice
3. Which aspects were measured during the research done by Michael Oehler and Christoph Reuter?
Heart rate, blood pressure and skin conductivity.
4. What does the author want to tell us with the article?
The characteristics of sounds that make people feel most uncomfortable.

III. True or false

1. The frequency of a sound influences people's reaction to the sound. T
2. A fork scraping in a plate is a less unpleasant sound, according to the experiment. T
3. People find sounds with a frequency of 2,000 to 4,000 hertz more pleasant. F
4. Watching the thing that is making the noise makes the sound less horrible. F

IV. Vocabulary

Concentrate on	全神贯注于
Uncomfortable	不舒服的, 不安的
Horrible	可怕的, 讨厌的
pay attention to	注意, 重视
convince	说服, 信服
discomfort	使.....不舒服

Dance with dad (Page 6)**I. Pre-reading**

Have you ever taken a dance class? If so, what kind of dance was it?
Do you have a fixed dance partner? Who do you most want to dance with?

II. Questions

1. **Why did the author never dance with her father after the age of 15?**
The author had hurt her father and her father never asked her to dance after that. She didn't know how to apologize to her father.
2. **Why did the author's father always wait for her after dances.**
Because he was waiting for his daughter's apology, and then they could dance together again.

III. Scanning

1. Why the author was angry with her father?
Because when she was upset, her father stilled teased her.
2. Interpret this sentence "*The hurt on his face did not escape me*"
I could not forget the way my father looked so hurt.
3. How did the author and her father greet each other when she grew up?
They hugged and kissed each other.
4. On which occasion did the author and her father dance again?
At her parents' 50th wedding anniversary.
5. **Why do you think the author sang** with trembling voice?
She was both excited and worried about how her father would react.

IV. Vocabulary

Anniversary	周年纪念日
nod to	相互点头
a barrel of	许多, 大量
Take the floor	在会议上发言
Glide	滑动, 滑行
Applaud	鼓掌

V Discussion

Have you ever had a quarrel with your parents? Who apologized first? How did the other respond?

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