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The Armless Pianist

A. Read the story. Then complete the activity.



The pianist walked onto stage and said hello to the judges. The judges were surprised because the piano player had no arms!

When Liu Wei was ten years old he played hide and seek with friends. During the game he touched a dangerous electrical wire. The accident was very serious and Liu Wei was unconscious for 45 days. When he woke up his parents took him home. They treated him normally and asked him to learn to eat his own food. He learned to do chores and take care of himself.

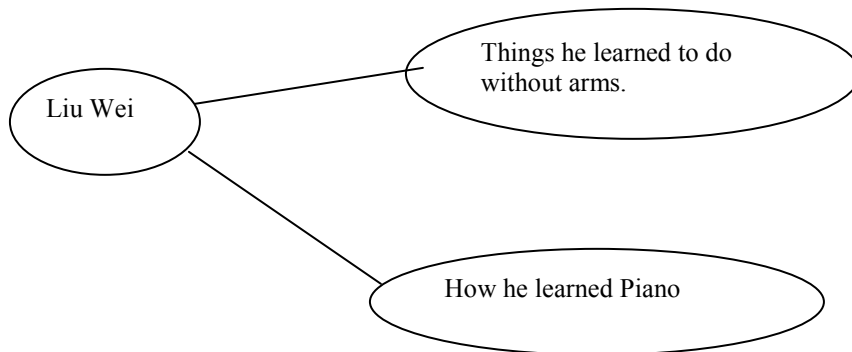
He learned to play soccer and swim. But he always wanted to be a musician. When he was a teenager he started his first piano lesson. The teacher quit saying it was impossible to play the piano without hands. After that Liu Wei began to practice secretly.

In 2010, he auditioned on the show “China’s Got Talent”. As he played the piano one judge cried because of his beautiful music. His secret practice was worth the trouble. He won the competition.

A. Answer the questions.

1. Where is Liu Wei from?
a. America b. Korea c. China
2. How did Liu Wei lose his arms?
a. In a game of hide and seek. b. In a fire. c. After touching an electrical wire.

B. Complete the chart with details about Lui Wei.



C. What is something you want to learn? How can you learn it? Tell your partner.