

## 2a

1. At first Nicholas thought of becoming a chef, but then he heard a friend play Beethoven's piano sonata and he fell in love with classical music.
2. Nicholas was born without a right hand, he couldn't read music and he was already 14 when he realized he wanted to play the piano.
3. His parents got him a keyboard, which he played for hours every day. After a year he started taking piano lessons and learned how to read music.
4. N. contacted the music school where his friend played, but the headmistress said that he couldn't play because he only had one hand.
5. After some time, N. contacted a more famous music school for an audition, but didn't tell them in advance about his hand. He got a place to study from this school.

6. N. Discovered that many famous composers had made music for the left hand.

7. The left-hand-only compositions were very complicated and the idea was to make it sound like the music was played by two hands (at least).

8. N. continued his studied in the famous Royal College Music and he was the only person playing left hand music ever to graduate from the school.

9. N. is now a rising star, he is playing concerts in famous concert halls and he has released his first album.

# 2C

1. A friend of mine
2. Fell in love
3. At the time
4. not taking into consideration
5. For hours and hours a day
6. A year in to his new obsession
7. She hung up the phone
8. Out of millions and millions of people in the world
9. I walked in the room
10. He went on to study
11. Such an inspiration