



Pros

Tell The Truth Or Not...

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Cons

- ♥ Teacher/student honesty
- ♥ Confirms student's ability
- ♥ Motivates student
- ♥ Increases self-confidence
- ♥ Plans the future properly
- ♥ Saves time wondering

✘ Tell the talented that they are talented

- ✘ Student becomes Ego-centric
- ✘ Student stops practicing

✘ Tell the untalented that they might not make it as a professional

- ✘ Student might get hurt at first
- ✘ Student might stop playing music
- ✘ Eliminates the chance of late-bloomers
- ✘ Teacher might have made a mistake
- ✘ Teacher might lose student

- ♥ Being honest to each other
- ♥ Teacher acts professional
- ♥ No more painful lessons
- ♥ Saves everybody's time
- ♥ Saves student's/parents' money
- ♥ Plans the future properly
- ♥ Won't be disappointed /surprised later on

✘ Don't tell the talented that they are talented

- ✘ Discourages student
- ✘ No rewarding for student
- ✘ No confirmation for student
- ✘ Decreases self-confidence

- ♥ Makes ambitious students work harder
- ♥ Student strives for higher level
- ♥ No ego for student / parents

✘ Tell the untalented that they are talented

- ✘ Teacher not being a real professional
- ✘ Not being honest to each other
- ✘ Causes ambiguity and confusion about the value of art
- ✘ Decreases the level of musicians
- ✘ Will be disappointed/surprised later on
- ✘ Wasting time by not planning future properly

- ♥ Motivates student
- ♥ Encourages student
- ♥ Teacher can keep the student
- ♥ Student might still make it



Interviewed
10 Americans
10 Asians
10 Europeans