

Are you interested in singing lessons? Awesome! Singing lessons can be a fantastic opportunity to build your confidence and develop your skill.

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# 10 Things your **Voice Teacher** wants you to know about **Singing lessons**

1. **Voice Teachers are not interested in changing your “sound”.** Every singer has a unique sound. We want to help you discover your entire voice, develop it and learn to care for it.
2. **Make a commitment.** If you want to see results, you need to commit to lessons for at least 6 months. Taking only a couple of lessons with any teacher will leave you confused and frustrated. Change and improvement take time. There are no shortcuts. (What benefit would going to 3 yoga classes be? Would your body change in only 3 sessions?)
3. **Perform.** Have an outlet to use and hone your new skills. Join a choir, sing at church or perform karaoke with friends. Without performance related goals you have absolutely no reason to practice. Your progress will be slow and you will soon quit lessons.
4. **Technique is never perfected.** Ever. Even for professional vocalists. There will always be small corrections to make which help you sing and perform better. Explore your sound and your vocal ability with an open mind.
5. **You want correction** (See #4) Correction does not mean you are a bad singer. If you are serious about being a great singer, you want your voice teacher to offer as much correction as possible. Do not leave your lesson without something new and challenging to work on. Explore your sound and your vocal ability with an open mind.
6. **We need to hear mistakes.** The notes you can't sing very well. The exercises that you struggle with. When we can identify the weaknesses, we can work on them effectively.
7. **You need to sing out without hesitation.** We need to hear all of your voice. This includes the bad notes and sounds that make you uncomfortable. When you can sing out without fearing mistakes, your vocal lessons will get interesting (and effective.)
8. **Challenge yourself.** Singing only songs you like is fun in the beginning. Try singing something completely out of your comfort zone. That is how you grow, improve and learn.
9. **Make Peace with Your Voice.** If you honestly “Hate the sound of your voice...”, don't bother with lessons. We won't be able to help you. (See #4, #5, #6, #7)
10. **We want to work with you – not against you.** Trust that we are trying to help you as best we know how. Are you willing to work with us? Will you listen to us and apply the suggestions we are offering? Are you ready for singing lessons?

