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Q2 Beth Nutbrown (researcher)  
A Katie (mum)  
B Matt (dad)  
C Stephanie (8)  
D Saskia (6)

B Saskia! ???

Q2 Ah, the ukulele, and you're ??? grab a book. And is it the ukulele that you showed me on our last visit?

C Yeah.

Q2 Have you got your app ??? because you have your own account for learning cornet?

C Yeah, I'll go and get it. I can go and get it.

Q2 This is great, thank you so much. And actually that reminds me, because I think Stephanie's been working on a scrap book commemorating the trip to America this year hasn't she?

B Yes.

Q2 Does she go at that sort of regularly or is she kind of....has that got kind of a bit parked for the moment?

B She'll have a bit of a go at it and then she gets bored, and then like probably push them a bit and they'll do it. But no she'll do it when she wants to do it really.

C Dad, where's the piece of paper with the login on?

B I don't know, you only gave me that.

C No, I put it in your room.

B In my room?

C Yes.

B It should still be there then.

C Have you chucked it out?

B Not chucked out, no.

C And like me opening my cornet.

- Q Wow, gosh, can I take some photos of these wonderful things?
- Q2 And how have you been getting on, has it been fun?
- D Yeah can you play a bit?
- B ??? login ??? upstairs and there was no ???
- A I put it inside the box.
- C What box?
- A I put it inside here.
- C Where? Oh, good idea.
- Q Ah, that's a safe place isn't it, yes.
- C Good idea.
- Q So what does that one do?
- C It can get you on to the music app.
- Q Everything's got technology hasn't it? So you log in? OK. I thought you might be scanning it or something like that.
- C No, I'm not sure if you can scan it.
- Q So is this from like the [Sheffield] Music Hub or somebody like that, the people who ???
- A Yeah.
- D I can touch my bunny.
- Q2 And have you been going on it quite a lot or....
- C I've been going on it after....
- Q And we thought we might do a tech tour if that's alright?
- A Yeah. That's what they've been waiting for.
- Q Oh fantastic. In the bedroom.
- C So there's different songs that you can learn, like this one. So you...and there's different notes you have to play. I think this is....I'll check what it is. Yes it's.... So it's got different notes. I haven't played this one before so I don't really know the....I can try playing it. I know what G is.

Q2 No it's up to you. It looks brilliant. Oh so you get the music to do it from then?

C That's the background music. [blows cornet]. There's different notes. So you've got E, E...I don't know what A is or B, but C is no valves, D, E, F, G.

Q So we could also visit, to go to the school. Because you're doing this at school aren't you?

C Mmm.

Q2 How do you find using the app to learn the songs?

C So using the app, you click on a song and you look at the notes to play. It shows you different notes in the corner and you're like following along. So it gives you the sound as well. So if I go back on to the ??? page....erm....so for example if you go into the Try The Music world you can design your own avatar and it does different things. You can do for example you can edit your avatar.

Q2 Ah so is this one yours here? This one?

C Yeah this is the one that you start with, and then you can choose different avatars, like you can have that one, or the next page...

D Ooh I like that one.

C You could get that one.

D A man. Stephanie dress up like a man.

C And then it saves. And then you've got different badges that you earn.

Q2 Oh so are these the ones that you've edited so far?

C Yeah.

Q How do you get the badges?

C You get the badges by, for example by playing your first song and playing after a certain time. And earning a certain number of badges can get you an extra badge, like if you earn 6 badges you could get like a special badge to say 'well done for getting this many badges'.

Q Would you see the badges as the teacher?

C No, it's just the app, as you progress you get more badges. Because the app actually records what you're doing, so it's like 'well done for getting the right pitch for E'. And it can give you tips as well, like you can relax your lips a bit when you're doing C because it sounds like a G, or tighten your lips when you're doing a D because it sounds like an F.

Q How does it do that, is it in writing or is it talking to you in a way?

C It's in writing. So after you've played a song it will say 'well done, you did this and this' and it will tell you if you've earned any badges. And it will say 'tips' so 'you could improve this'.

Q2 So does it listen to you play?

C Yes.

Q I've never come across that. Thank you so, so much. What do you think of it, I mean do you enjoy learning like this?

C Yeah I enjoy it. And every Thursday you take your cornet into school and he will help, he'll do a lesson with you. So our teacher's called Mr I\_\_\_\_, I think, and he does a couple of songs with us a week.

Q Does he tell you then which bits of the app to use next to help you practise what you've done in your lesson?

C Yeah. He said last week 'practise this certain song on this one', and he'll choose. Because he has his own copy of your login, so he'll choose a person's login to use. So I think last week he used mine.

Q I wondered if he used it in the lesson.

C Yeah.

Q2 Brilliant. What do you think about earning the badges?

C I think it's a really good way to help you learn. It's like you know what you've done well and you know what you can improve on.

Q2 And does it motivate you to like be able to earn more badges? Is that important?

C Yeah. It's no important for you to earn your badges by a certain level. It's just....I think because the most....loads of people used to try and get all the badges, and while they're trying to challenge themselves and get badges they're also learning an instrument.

Q It's fascinating. Does it inspire you to practise more do you think when you get the feedback from it and when it's recorded you?

C Yeah.

Q And do you find that it's easy to put into practice, like it says about squeezing up your lips more or less, do you find that generally works for you, it's good advice?

C Yeah.

Q And you can put that into practice and then you get better.

C Yeah.

Q That's really great. Thank you ever so much. That's the first time we've seen that isn't it. How long have you been learning?

C I've been learning for about...I've been learning for 9 or 10 months.

Q OK yeah, so you sound really comfortable with it and everything now.

C Yeah.

Q Oh I see. What would you like to do Beth, do you want to....?

Q2 Yeah, I mean the tech tour?

C And sometimes it will give you different tokens pointer. Like I've got this token that I can enter, it says '[reads out numbers]' and then it will, and 'join into your new group'.

Q2 OK, what do the groups do?

C The groups. You've got a teacher that gives you lessons, but he gives you assignments on here.

Q2 Oh, so your teacher gives you assignments through the app?

C Yeah.

Q2 Oh cool.

C Because he has his own account and his own avatar, and he gives himself assignments as well, so he like follows with us.

Q2 And so will you all get the same assignments each week or....

C Yeah. One group gets the same assignments.

Q2 Yeah, and do you like that there's like kind of groups?

C Yeah, because you could be included different groups for different...yeah you can be included in different.....