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I started playing piano since I was 5. I did not like it at all when I was young. My mother forced me to take piano lessons and practice it every day for two hours. It was a torture for me back then, so I stopped playing piano when I was in fifth grade. However, that was the most regrettable decision I have made in my life. As I grew up, I started to understand more and more about the importance of music and being able to play music. Therefore, I am grateful that my mother would give me the opportunity to learn this instrument. I love music and I especially enjoy playing music. Piano was invented about 300 years ago, and it is one of the most popular musical instruments in the world. A piano has 88 keys and each key represents one note. How piano works really amazes me and my passion for piano only grows more and more.

Piano has a long history and its evolution enables so many people who share the same interest with me to enjoy their hobbies. In 1946, Harold Rhodes invented the first electric piano (history 1). The usual pianos we know about are grand pianos, which are often used in piano performance, and upright pianos, which are smaller than grand pianos but we can see them more often in our daily lives. However, grand pianos and upright pianos are really heavy and they make sound physically. Electric pianos, on the other side, are much lighter so they can be moved around. And electric pianos can be connected to the computer, so it is possible to record the music with the computer.
I did not have a chance to continue playing piano because an upright piano can be really expensive and it is impossible for me to move it around. Nevertheless, an electric piano gives me an opportunity to play piano again. I am taking a private piano lesson here at IU, and an electric piano in my new apartment really makes it possible for me to practice the notes or just enjoy playing music I love. I am finally able to continue my interest in my free time. The only down side of electric piano is that it does not feel the same when you are playing electric piano comparing traditional piano. The keys are lighter and the sounds they make are slightly different.

I believe that there will be more and more improvement for electric pianos, or just instruments in general. Right now I only play classic music and I only play music for fun. But as the technologies for music develop more and more, I will be able to try more and more styles and I can even record my own music in the future.
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