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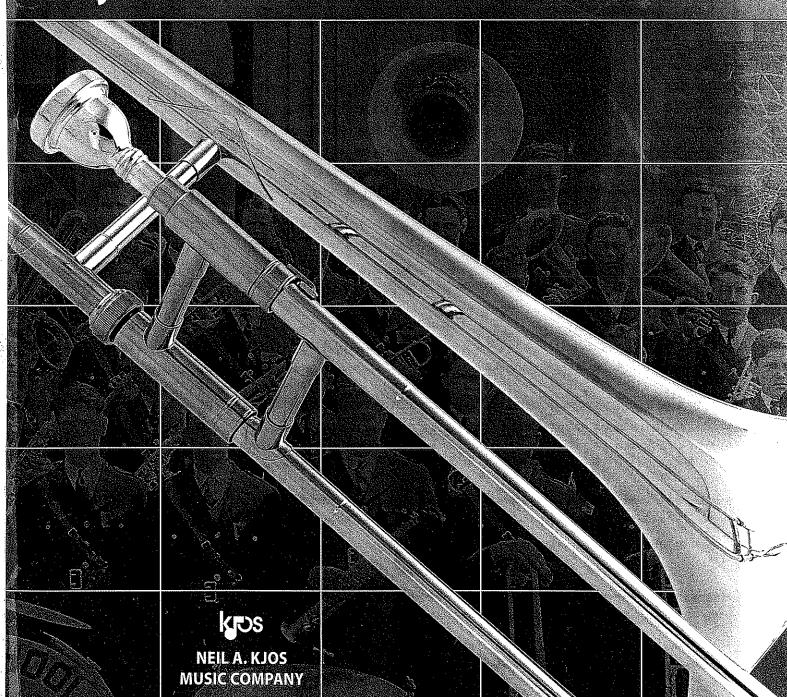


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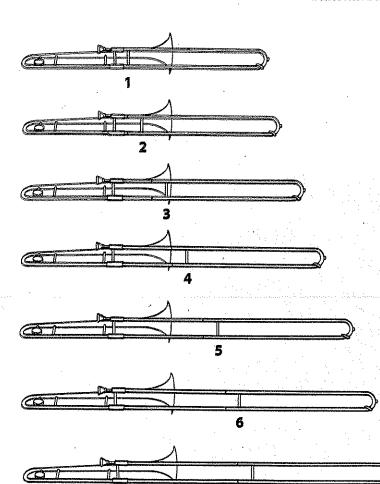




Trombone Position Chart

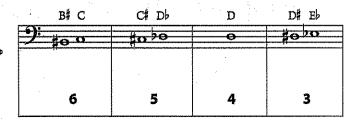
The number indicates what position to use.

- = a shortened slide position.



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	3	2	1	7



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2	1 or 6	5	4 3	2 or 6 1

B Cb	B# C # Ω ⊕	C# Db	D Ω	D# Eb	E F	E#F # <u>⊕ Ω</u>
4	3	2	1 or -4	3	2	1

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Dear Student:

Welcome to your study of the trombone—an exciting adventure filled with rewards and challenges. Through careful study and regular practice, you will quickly discover the joy and satisfaction of playing beautiful music for yourself, your family, your friends, or a concert audience.

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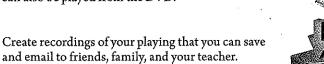


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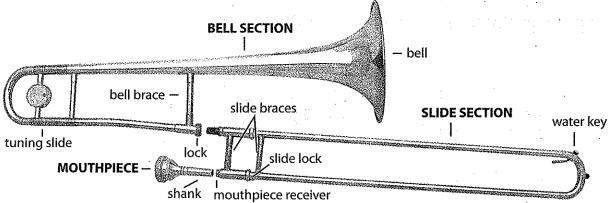
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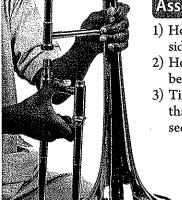
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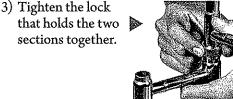
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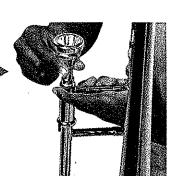


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- 1) Hold the slide section by the braces in your right hand. The taller side of the slide section should be positioned towards you.
- 2) Hold the bell section in your left hand. Place the receiver of the bell section over the taller side of the slide section making a "V".



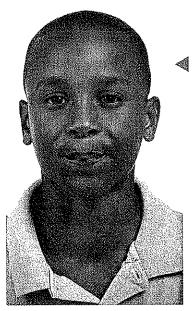
4) Insert the mouthpiece into the receiver. Gently twist the mouthpiece into place, but not too tightly.





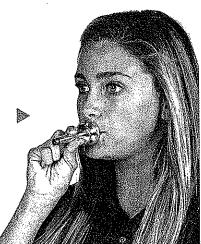
Posture & Hand Position

- 1) Sit up straight at the edge of your chair with your feet flat on the floor.
- Place your left thumb around the bell brace and place your left index finger on or near the stem of the mouthpiece.
- 3) Place the remaining fingers of your left hand around the first slide brace.
- 4) Grasp the second slide brace with your right thumb, index, and middle fingers with the thumb on top and two fingers underneath.
- 5) Bring the instrument to your mouth, resting it on your left shoulder.
- 6) Your left wrist should be straight and in line with your forearm. Your right wrist should remain flexible. Keep your elbows away from your body.



Forming an Embouchure & Making a Tone

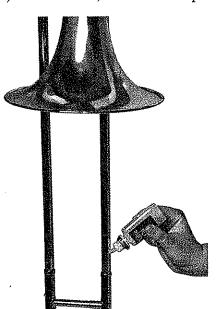
- 1) Moisten your lips and shape the inside of your mouth and throat as if you are saying "oh." Bring your lips together as if saying "em."
- 2) Take a full breath of air through your mouth and blow through closed lips, creating a relaxed buzz.
- 3) Remove the mouthpiece from the instrument and hold it by the shank. Without using too much pressure, place the mouthpiece over the center of the buzz with equal amounts of the mouthpiece on the upper and lower lip. Use a mirror to check your embouchure.
- 4) Take a full breath of air through your mouth and play a long, steady buzz.
- 5) Complete the **Mouthpiece Workout** by watching the video lesson and playing along with the recorded accompaniment (see page 1 for details).



Daily Care & Maintenance

Putting the Trombone Away

- 1) Depress the water key and blow (not buzz) through the trombone to empty excess water.
- 2) Wipe off the trombone with a soft, clean cloth.
- 3) Remove the mouthpiece and place it in the case.
- 4) Unscrew the lock that holds the two sections together, remove the bell section and place it in the case.
- 5) Clean the slide, then lock it and place it in the case. Latch the case.

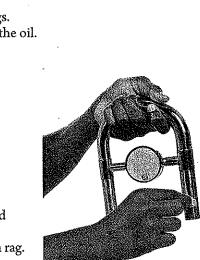


Oiling the Slide (Daily)

- 1) Unlock and carefully extend the slide until the tops of the stockings are exposed. (The stockings are the raised part of the inner slide.)
- 2) Place 5 or 6 drops of slide oil on both stockings.
- 3) Move the slide up and down to evenly spread the oil.

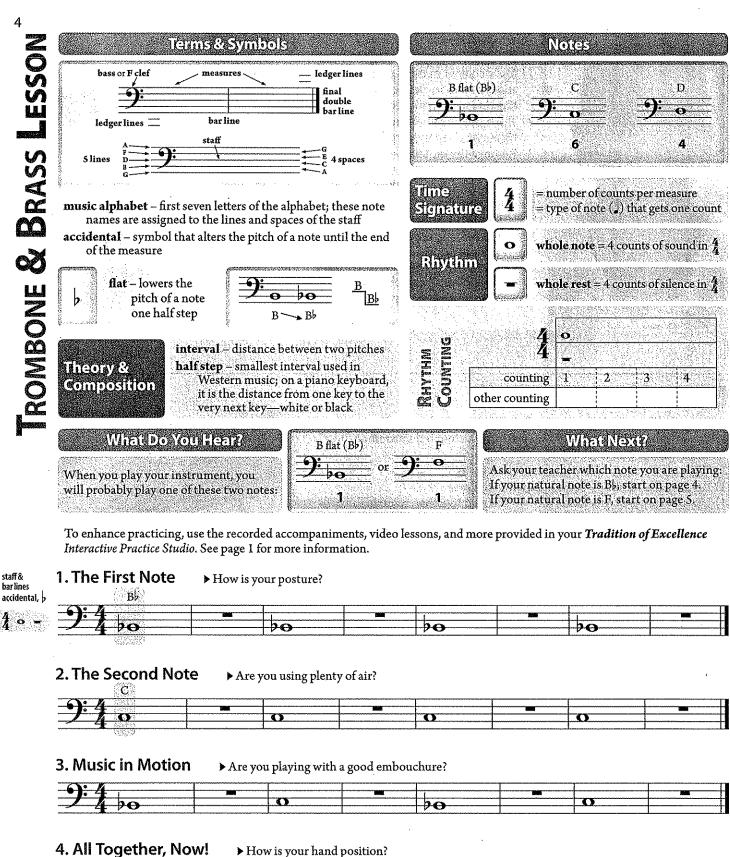
Greasing the Tuning Slide (Regularly)

- 1) Remove the tuning slide from the instrument.
- 2) Remove existing grease by wiping the slide with a rag.
- 3) Apply a generous amount of grease to the tuning slide.
- 4) Insert the tuning slide back into the trombone and move it in and out of the instrument to work in the grease.
- 5) Push the slide all the way in and wipe off the excess grease with a rag.
- 6) Return the slide to its original position.



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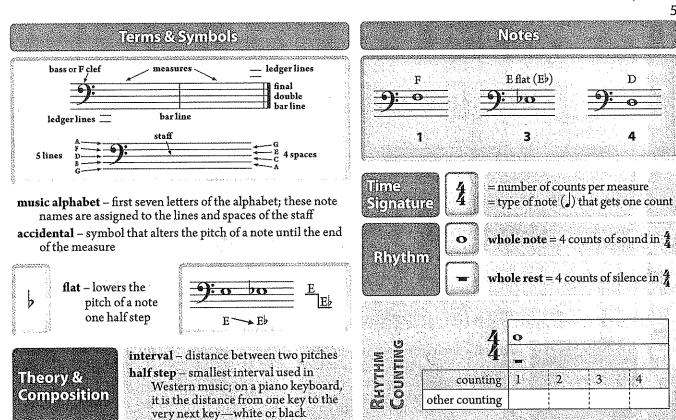


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▶ Write the note names beneath the music before you play.

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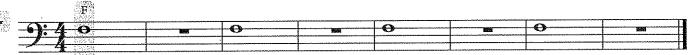
5. Mr. Whole Note Takes a Walk



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1. The First Note ▶ How is your posture?



2. The Second Note ▶ Are you using plenty of air?



3. Music in Motion ▶ Are you playing with a good embouchure?



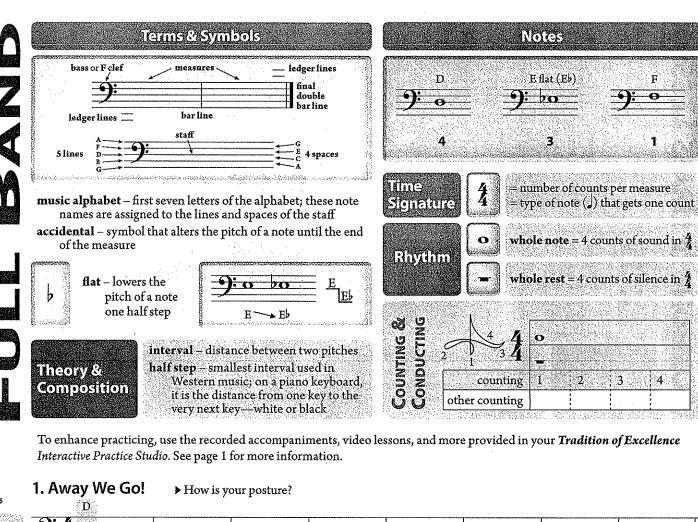
4. All Together, Now! ▶ How is your hand position?



5. Mr. Whole Note Takes a Walk ▶ Write the note names beneath the music before you play.

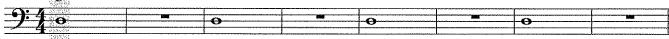
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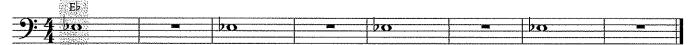




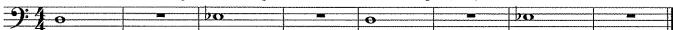
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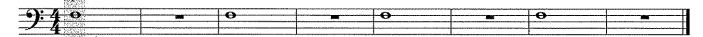
▶ Are you playing with a steady air stream to produce a smooth, even sound?



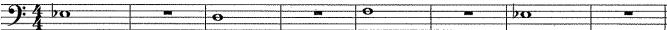
- 3. Count Me In
- ▶ 1) Write the counting under the music. 2) Clap the rhythm.
 - 3) Sing the notes using "too," the note names, or solfège. 4) Play!



4. Higher Ground ▶ Are you playing with a good embouchure?

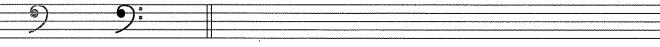


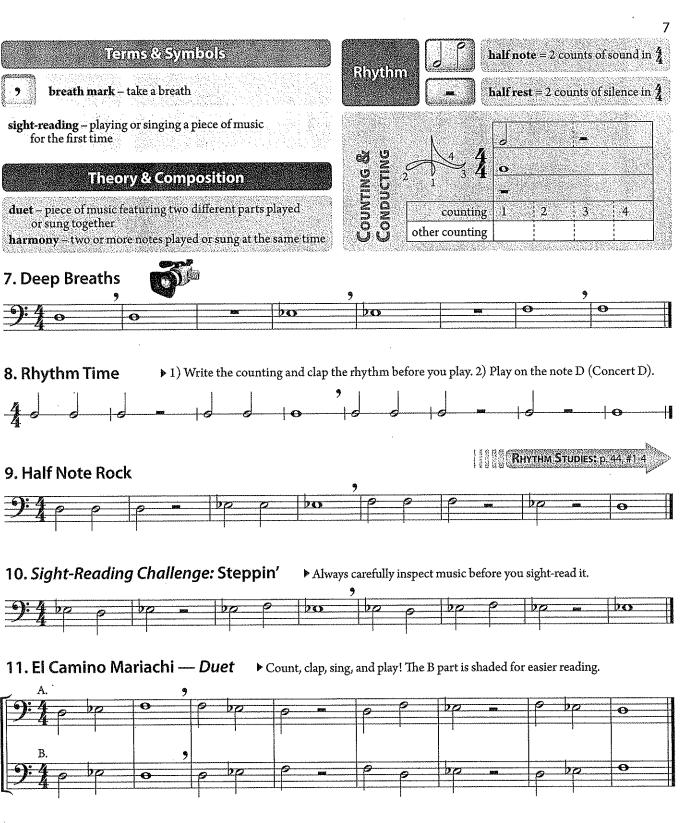
5. Moving Around TEST ▶ Write the note names beneath the music before you play.



6 Trombone Private Lesson ▶ Here is how to draw a bass clef. 2) 1)

Draw eight bass clefs on your own. Be sure to draw the dots on both sides of the fourth (F) line.











13. Excellence in Ear Training

duet, harmony

▶ Practice with the recorded accompaniment. Listen in measures 1, 3, 5, and 7. In measures 2, 4, 6, and 8, echo what you heard. Your starting notes are shown.

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▶ Add the notes and rests together to find the number of counts. A quarter note gets one count.





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Theory & Composition

trio – piece of music featuring three different parts played or sung together

introduction — opening passage of a piece of music

theme - a melody within a piece of music

Terms & Symbols

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rehearsal numbers — find important places in the music using these markers

1st and 2nd endings — play or sing the 1st ending the first time through, repeat, skip the 1st ending, and play or sing the 2nd ending the second time through

fermata - hold a note or rest longer than its usual value

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- —Enter the stage or performance area confidently. Make eye contact with the audience and smile.
- -Stand or sit tall. Be positive and energetic. It's fun to share your music with others!

Solo: A **Duet:** A + B **Trio** or **Full Band:** A + B + C

Jingle Bells

J.S. Pierpont (1822–1893) American Composer





▶ Repeat back to 5.

Jolly Old St. Nicholas

Traditional



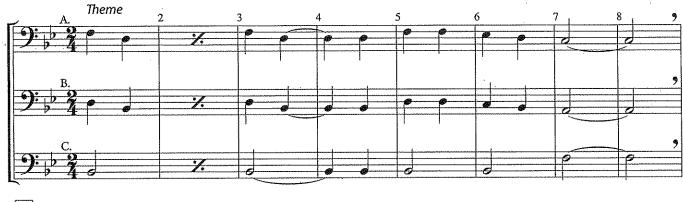
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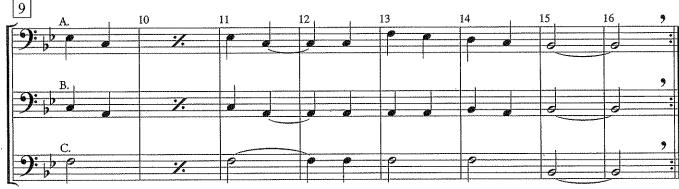
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The Dreidel Song

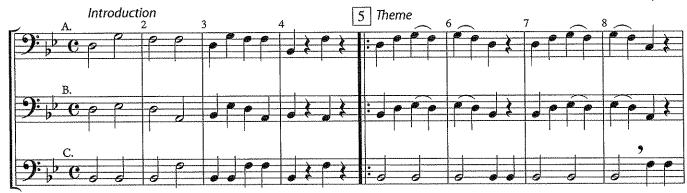
Jewish Folk Song

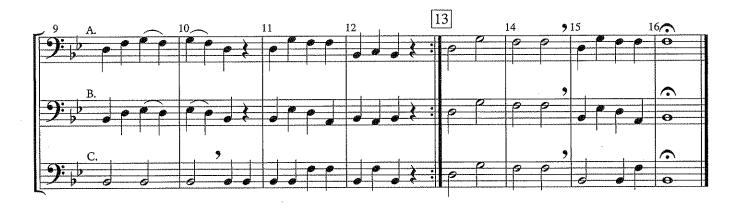




Kwanzaa Celebration

David Bobrowitz (b. 1945) American Composer









▶ 1) Write the note names. 2) Write in the slide position for each note.













improvisation - spontaneous composition of music through playing or singing

49. Unforgettable Eighth Notes



50. Mahnomen Harvest ▶ Count, clap, sing, and play!



51. Eighth Notes on the Edge





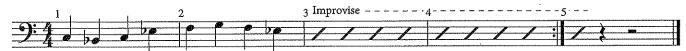
53. Sight-Reading Challenge: Promenade ▶ 1) Write the counting and draw the bar lines. 2) Sight-read!







▶ Play along with the recorded accompaniment. Measures 1-2: Play the written notes. Measures 3-5: Improvise using the same notes.

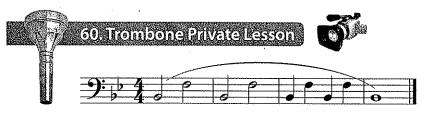




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▶ Repeat this exercise using the following slide positions: 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7. Use this as a daily warm-up when you practice. Also play this exercise on your mouthpiece alone.







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As a soloist, at the end of your performance, bow to acknowledge the applause of the audience, then gratefully gesture towards your accompanist so that he or she may also receive recognition from the audience.

The Good Life
Solo with Piano Accompaniment In addition to his work as a composer Ryan Nowlin (b. 1978) and author, Ryan Nowlin is a music **American Composer** teacher, horn player, and singer. 3 Moderato **Trombone** Moderato Piano 12. 11 1. 10 7 72. 1.

chord

closing

Theory & Composition

Terms@Symbols

chord - two or more notes sounded at the same time

closing – last measures of a composition, often containing music added to give a feeling of finality



long rest or multiple-measure rest

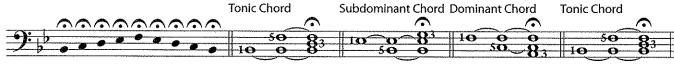
- rest for the number of measures
indicated

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- —If you make a mistake, never let it show. Keep playing or singing as if nothing happened.
- —When you are finished, graciously accept the audience's applause. Leave the stage area confidently.

Warm-up: Tone, Balance, and Tuning

➤ There are many ways to perform a warm-up; follow the instructions given by your director.

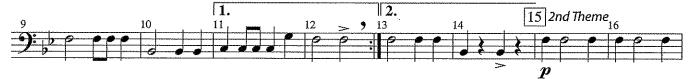


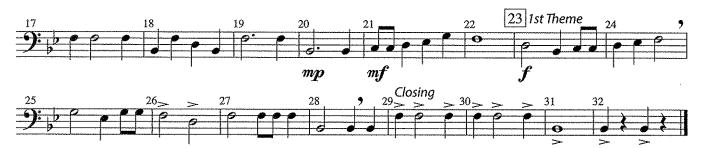
Bruce Pearson played clarinet and saxophone as well as baseball and hockey into his college years before becoming a music teacher, author, composer, and conductor.

March Across the Seas

Bruce Pearson (b. 1942) and Ryan Nowlin (b. 1978) American Composers







Water Music was written for a royal boat party on England's Thames River. The orchestra played from one barge while King George I and friends listened from another vessel close by.

Procession

from "Water Music"

George Frideric Handel (1685–1759)

▶ In 2, 2, and other time signatures, indicates a full measure of rest.

Introduction

English Composer arr. Ryan Nowlin

Moderato 2 3 > 4 > 5 1st Theme 6 7

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8 7 9 10 11 12 , 13 2nd Theme 14

long rest

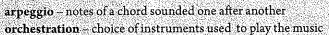
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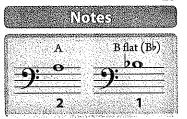






whole step – interval consisting of two half steps
major scale – series of whole (w) and half (h) steps
in the following pattern: 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8
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w w h w w w h



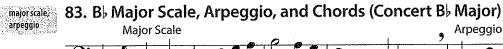










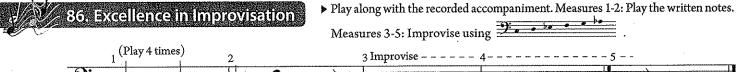


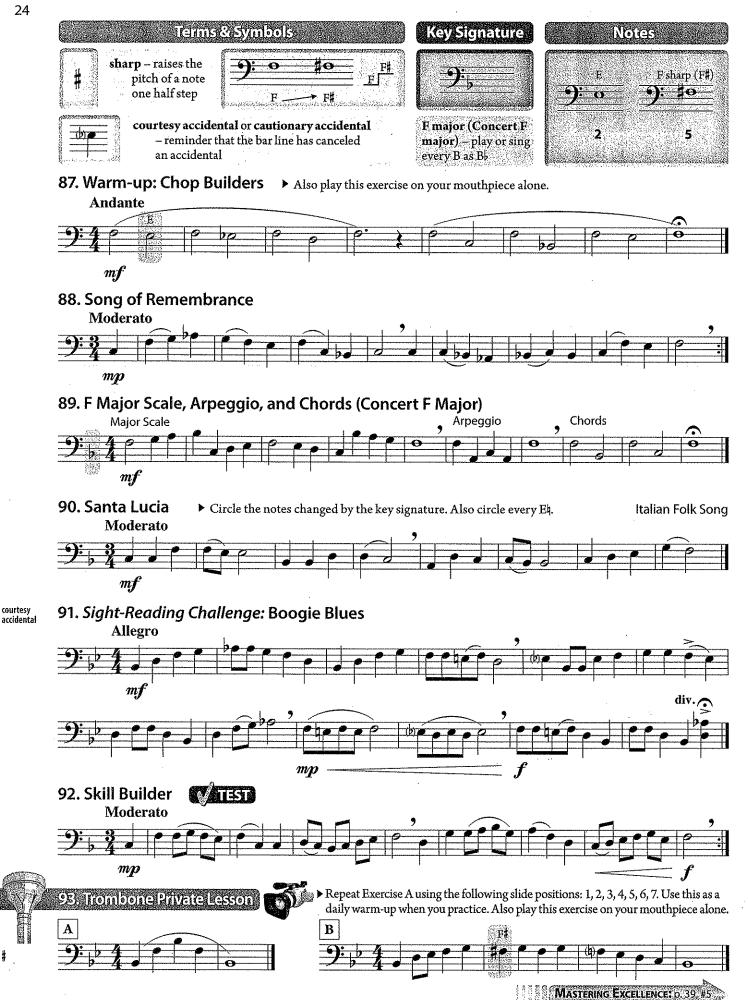












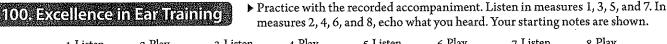


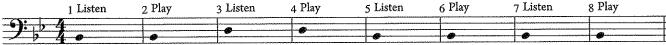
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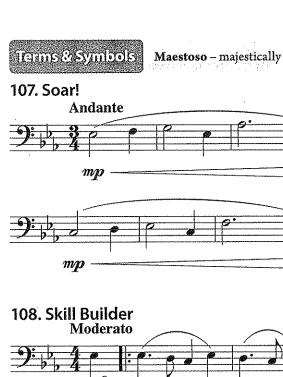
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Introduction



Trumpet Voluntary is also known as Prince of Denmark's March and was originally composed for harpsichord.

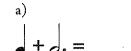
Jeremiah Clarke (c. 1674–1707) English Composer





111. Excellence in Theory

▶ Add the notes and rests together to find the number of counts. A quarter note gets one count.







1 Listen 2 Play 3 Listen 4 Play 5 Listen 6 Play 7 Listen 8 Play

1 Listen 2 Play 3 Listen 4 Play 5 Listen 6 Play 7 Listen 8 Play

123. Excellence in Ear Training

▶ Practice with the recorded accompaniment. Listen in measures 1, 3, 5, and 7.

In measures 2, 4, 6, and 8, echo what you heard. Your starting notes are shown.







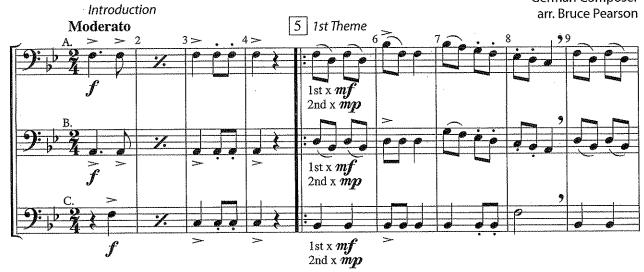
The term "military band" was historically used to designate an instrumental ensemble made up of woodwinds, brass, and percussion, much like today's concert band. Ecossaise for Military Band was originally written by Beethoven in 1810 for this type of ensemble. The work is a contradance, a lively dance-inspired composition in $\frac{2}{4}$. In a contradance, couples faced each other in two lines. It was a Classical Period predecessor to more modern forms such as square dancing.

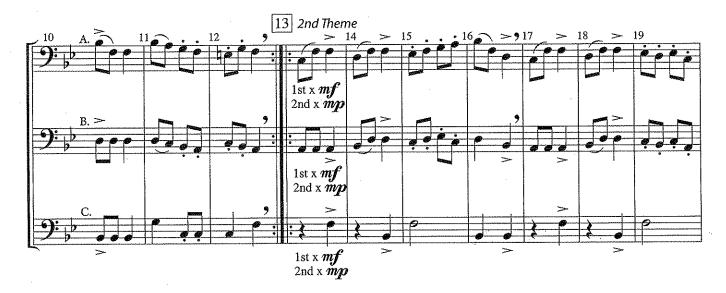
Solo: A Duet: A + B Trio or Full Band: A + B + C

Ecossaise for Military Band

▶ 1st x =first time through. 2nd x =second time through.

Ludwig van Beethoven (1770–1827) German Composer







Theory & Composition

ternary form – music with three sections: Section A, followed by a contrasting Section B, then Section A again

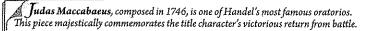
trio - third theme in a march, typically a contrasting section.

Concentational

Dress nicely for every performance. If no specific guidelines are given by your director, be sure to ask what is appropriate. When you look your best, the audience will more fully appreciate your playing or singing.

See, the Conquering Hero Comes

from "Judas Maccabaeus"



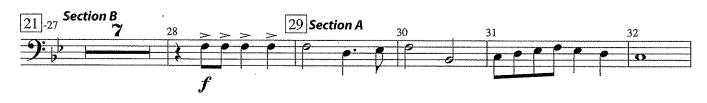
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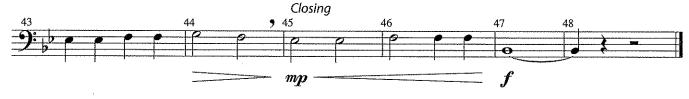












ternary form

Riverside March

▶ Notice the key signature changes at 27 and 47.

Ryan Nowlin (b. 1978) American Composer



This piece was originally an aria (ar-ree-ah) from an Italian opera. An aria is a lyric song for solo voice. Caro Mio Ben is Italian for My Dear Beloved.

Caro Mio Ben

Solo with Piano Accompaniment

Giuseppe Giordani (1751-1798) Italian Composer arr. Ryan Nowlin



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Basic Preparatory Exercise



Advanced Preparatory Exercise



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5. After Page 24, #93

Basic Preparatory Exercise



Advanced Preparatory Exercise



▶ Repeat these exercises using the following slide positions: 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7. Use these as daily warm-ups when you practice. Also play these exercises on your mouthpiece alone.



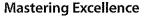
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Chop Builders

▶ Mix and match exercises 1A, 2A, and 3A in any combination.







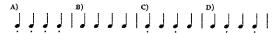




4. Match and Pass That Note



▶ Also play with other articulations:



5. Dynamic Control



Concert B. Major Warm-Up

1. Bb Major Scale and Arpeggios



2. B Major Technique Study



3. Bb Major Balance and Tuning Study



4. B Major Chorale: All Grace and Thanksgiving

Ryan Nowlin (b. 1978) American Composer





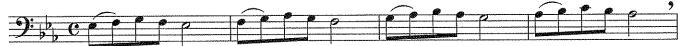
Concert E. Major Warm-Up

▶ For notes you do not know, refer to the position chart.

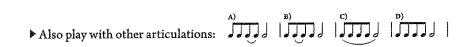
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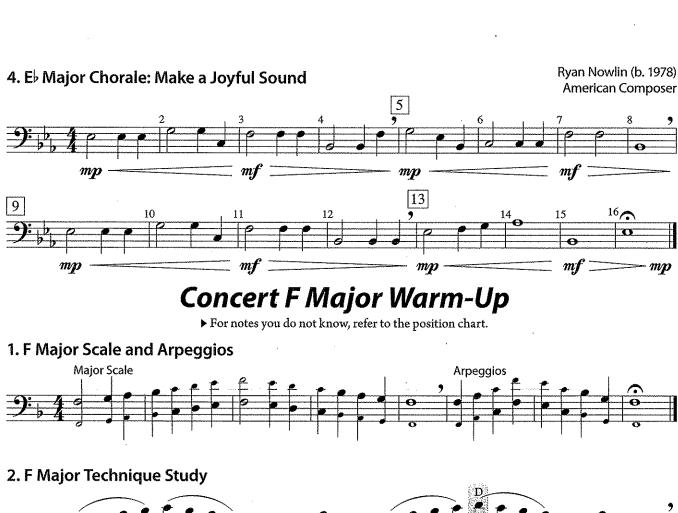


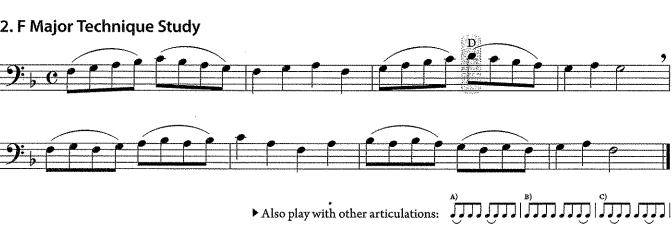


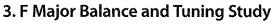


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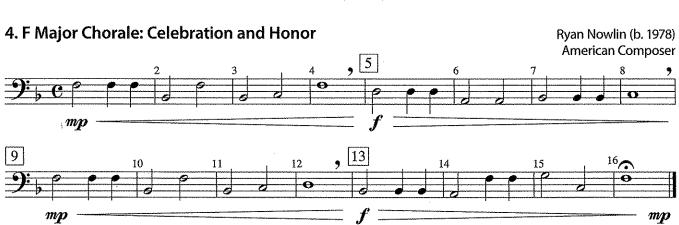












Theory & Composition

chromatic scale - series of 12 ascending or descending half steps

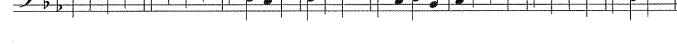
- ▶ For notes you do not know, refer to the position chart.
- 1. Concert B. Major Scale, Arpeggios, and Thirds





2. Concert El Major Scale, Arpeggios, and Thirds





3. Concert F Major Scale, Arpeggios, and Thirds





4. Concert Al-Major Scale, Arpeggios, and Thirds





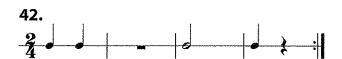
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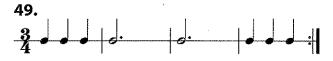
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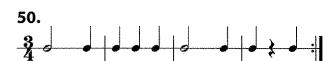




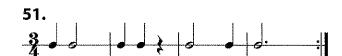












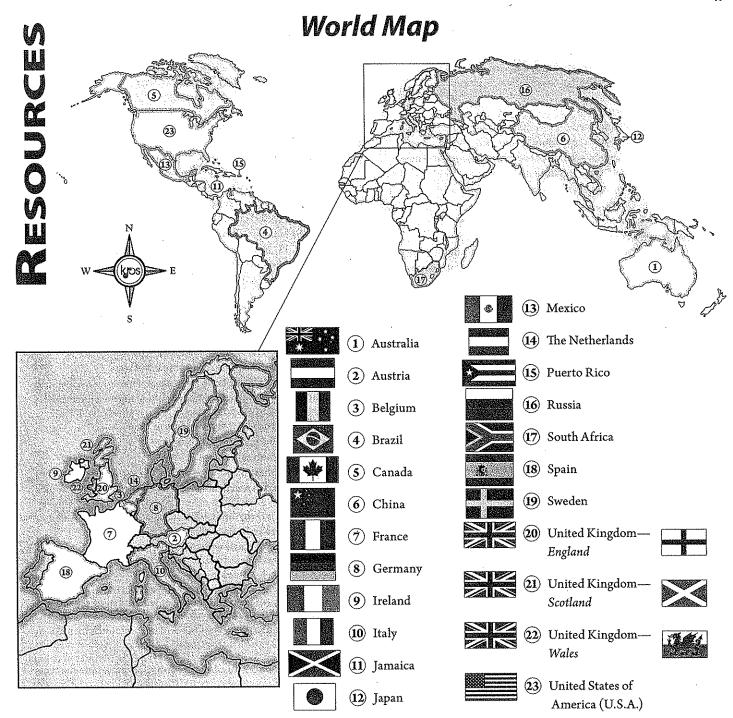












About the Trombone

The trombone is the only modern musical instrument that uses a slide. Its ancestor is the *tromba*, a long trumpet used in the Middle Ages. Another English ancestor of the trombone was the slide instrument called a *sackbut* (a word that comes from the Old French *saqueboute*, which meant "pull-push").

Today's trombone is basically unchanged from the instrument that first appeared in 1450. The trombone was the only brass instrument at the time that could play any note of the scale, and it was therefore a very useful instrument to composers.

Initially, the trombone was played primarily in town concert bands and in church to accompany singers. Operas and sacred works by great classical composers called for trombones, and the instrument became a regular member of symphony orchestras by 1850. The 20th century brought the addition of the valve attachment, allowing lower notes to be played with greater ease.

The trombone is played today in concert bands, orchestras, jazz bands, brass ensembles, and popular music groups.

FUN FACTS

- The trombone made its symphonic debut in the finale of Beethoven's Fifth Symphony.
- The valve mechanism on bass trombones and some tenor trombones is also known as a "trigger."
- ► Check out these trombonists: Georg Christoph Wagenseil, Joseph Alessi, Tommy Dorsey, Glenn Miller, and Melba Liston.

Glossary/Index

accent - (p. 18) emphasize the note

accidental – (pp. 4-6) symbol that alters the pitch of a note until the end of the measure

Allegro – (p. 18) fast tempo

anacrusis - (p. 16) see pick-up

Andante - (p. 18) walking tempo; slower than Moderato

arpeggio - (p. 23) notes of a chord sounded one after another

articulation - (p. 10) type of attack used to play a note or group of notes

bar line - (pp. 4-6) divides the staff into measures

bass clef - (pp. 4-6) locates F on the fourth line

breath mark - (p. 7) take a breath

cautionary accidental - (p. 24) see courtesy accidental

chord - (p. 20) two or more notes sounded at the same time

chromatic scale - (p. 43) scale of 12 ascending or descending half steps

closing – (p. 20) last measures of a composition, often containing new material added to give a feeling of finality

common time - (p. 9) means the same as 2

composition – (p. 9) creation of music that can be performed later, usually from written notation

courtesy accidental – (p. 24) reminder that the bar line has canceled an accidental

crescendo - (p. 22) gradually louder

Da Capo al Fine (D.C. al Fine) – (p. 26) go back to the beginning of the piece and play or sing until the Fine

decrescendo - (p. 22) gradually softer

Divisi (div.) - (p. 22) some performers play or sing the top notes while others play or sing the bottom notes

dominant – (p. 20) fifth note of a scale; chord built on the fifth note of a scale

duet – (p. 7) piece of music featuring two different parts played or sung together

dynamics – (p. 17) softness or loudness of a piece of music

embouchure - (p. 3) mouth formation used to play an instrument

F clef - (pp. 4-6) see bass clef

fermata - (p. 12) hold a note or rest longer than its usual value

final double bar line - (pp. 4-6) marks the end of the music

1st and 2nd endings – (p. 12) play or sing the 1st ending the first time through, repeat, skip the 1st ending, and play or sing the 2nd ending

flat - (pp. 4-6) lowers the pitch of a note one half step

forte (f) - (p. 17) loud

glissando – (p. 26) wavy line connecting two notes which indicates that the slide position should change from the first note to the second note without breaking the air stream

half step - (pp. 4-6) smallest interval used in Western music

harmony - (p. 7) two or more notes played or sung at the same time

improvisation – (p. 15) spontaneous composition of music through playing or singing

interval - (pp. 4-6) distance between two pitches

introduction – (p. 12) opening passage of a piece of music

key signature - (p. 11) sharps or flats placed after a clef

ledger line - (pp. 4-6) short line used for notes above or below the staff

long rest - (p. 20) rest for the number of measures indicated

Maestoso - (p. 27) majestically

major scale – (p. 23) series of whole (w) and half (h) steps in the following pattern: wwhwwwh

measure – (pp. 4-6) area between two bar lines

mezzo forte (mf) – (p. 18) medium loud

mezzo piano (mp) - (p. 18) medium soft

Moderato - (p. 18) medium tempo

multiple-measure rest – (p. 20) see long rest

music alphabet - (pp. 4-6) first seven letters of the alphabet; these note names are assigned to the lines and spaces of the staff

natural – (p. 22) cancels a flat or sharp

one-measure repeat sign – (p. 10) play or sing the previous measure again

orchestration - (p. 23) choice of instruments used to play the music

phrase – (p. 9) musical sentence, often 4 or 8 measures long

piano (p) - (p. 17) soft

pick-up - (p. 16) music that comes before the first full measure of a piece rehearsal number - (p. 12) find important places in the music using these markers

repeat sign - (p. 9) play or sing the music again

ritardando (ritard. or rit.) - (p. 30) gradually slow the tempo

round – (p. 9) song in which the same part is played or sung by two or more groups starting at different times

sharp - (p. 24) raises the pitch of a note one half step

sight-reading – (p. 7) playing or singing a piece of music for the first time

slur – (p. 10) articulation that connects notes of different pitches; indicates a very smooth sound

Soli - (p. 9) a small group or section plays or sings

Solo – (p. 9) only one person plays or sings

staccato - (p. 25) shorten the note

staff - (pp. 4-6) 5 lines and 4 spaces for writing music

subdominant – (p. 20) fourth note of a scale; chord built on the fourth note of a scale

syncopation – (p. 31) rhythmic effect that places emphasis on a weak beat tempo – (p. 18) speed of a piece of music

ternary form – (p. 34) music with three sections: Section A, followed by a contrasting Section B, then Section A again

theme – (p. 12) a melody within a piece of music

theme and variation – (p. 16) type of composition that begins with a main melody (theme) and continues with different versions (variations) of the main melody

tie - (p. 11) marking that connects notes of the same pitch to make one longer note

time signature – (pp. 4-6) top number tells you the number of counts per measure; bottom number tells you the type of note that gets one count

tonic – (p. 20) first note of a scale; chord built on the first note of a scale trio (ensemble) – (p. 12) piece of music featuring three different parts played or sung together

trio (march) – (p. 34) third theme in a march, typically a contrasting section

Tutti – (p. 9) everyone plays or sings

unisono (unis.) - (p. 22) everyone plays or sings the same notes

variation - (p. 16) see theme and variation

whole step - (p. 23) interval consisting of two half steps

