

a collection of fundamentals exercises meant to be played with pop recordings

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Bb Trumpet Baritone (TC)



General Instructions

When multiple notes are given, play in the most comfortable range.

If you're playing the book on your own, you may find the time codes helpful. They are found above the staff and look like this: (3:16)

Stretches

Feel free to substitute other stretches. The ones used in this volume include the following:

Head rolls - gently and slowly rotate your head and neck around in a circle



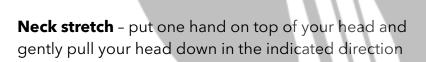




Shoulder rolls - stand tall and relaxed; rotate your shoulders up and forward several times, then up and backward











Side stretch - with feet shoulder-width apart, stretch your upper body by leaning to one side, then repeat on the other side



Standing roll down - tip your head forward, followed by your shoulders, upper back, and lower back, leaving your arms hanging down and your body bent at the waist. Roll up in reverse.









Breathing Instructions

For more ideas about breathing, consult *The Breathing Gym*, by Sam Pilafian and Patrick Sheridan.

In general, air should always be moving in or out (except in the cases of holds, described below). Inhale and exhale **evenly** over the given counts. Maintain perfect posture whether seated or standing. Consider breathing with your instrument in playing position.

Always feel the pulse and subdivision of the music. Take every breath in time. Don't just *listen* to the track; *internalize* what you are hearing. Focus on the steady release of air throughout. Remain in playing position during rests.

Here are the symbols used for breathing in these exercises:

An upward-pointing triangle is for breathing in. Inhale steadily for the duration of the note.



A downward-pointing triangle is for breathing out. Exhale steadily for the duration of the note.



A rectangle is for holding your current breath. Keep your mouth open and your body relaxed until the next inhalation or exhalation.



When multiple inhales/exhales are adjacent to each other, inhale or exhale in time with the rhythmic pattern.



Recommended Recordings

"Tio Macaco" from We Like it Here, Snarky Puppy
"Happy" from Despicable Me 2: Original Motion Picture Soundtrack, Pharrell Williams
"Still Feel" from In Florescence - EP, half•alive
"Umbrella" from Covers 1, Youngblood Brass Band
"Toxic" from In the Zone, Britney Spears
"Something in the Water" from Greatest Hits: Decade #1, Carrie Underwood
"Gratitude" from Gratitude, Earth, Wind & Fire
"Harder Better Faster Stronger" from Discovery, Daft Punk

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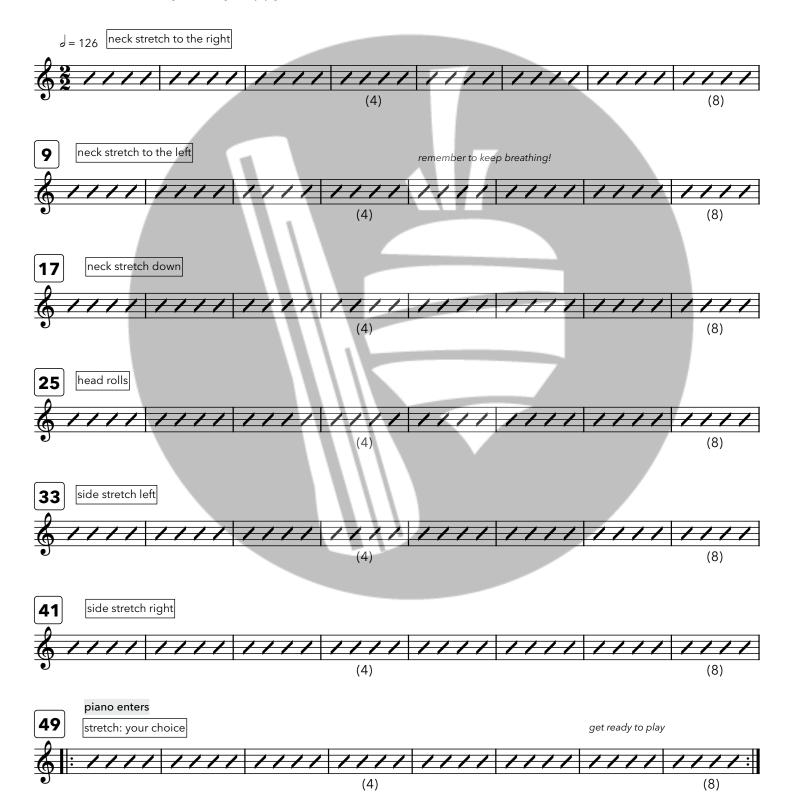
Title	Key(s)	Time Sig.	ВРМ	Track Length	Breathing?	Stretching?	Other Notes
Tio Macaco	Bb Major, C Major	2/2	126	5:43	V	V	singing, optional improv
Нарру	F Major/minor	4/4	160	3:53	$\overline{\mathbf{Q}}$	$\overline{\mathbf{v}}$	optional improv
Still Feel	Bb minor	4/4	120	4:22	✓		some sixteenth syncopation
Umbrella	A minor	4/4	94	4:27	✓		mostly long tones
Toxic	C minor	4/4	144	3:19	V		sixteenth articulation and harmonic minor patterns
Something in the Water	G Major	4/4	160	3:59	☑		short scale patterns; articulations and dynamics
Gratitude	G Mixolydian	4/4	90	3:27			mostly scale patterns
Harder Better Faster Stronger	A Major	4/4	120	3:45		Ø	scale patterns; some optional large interval slurs

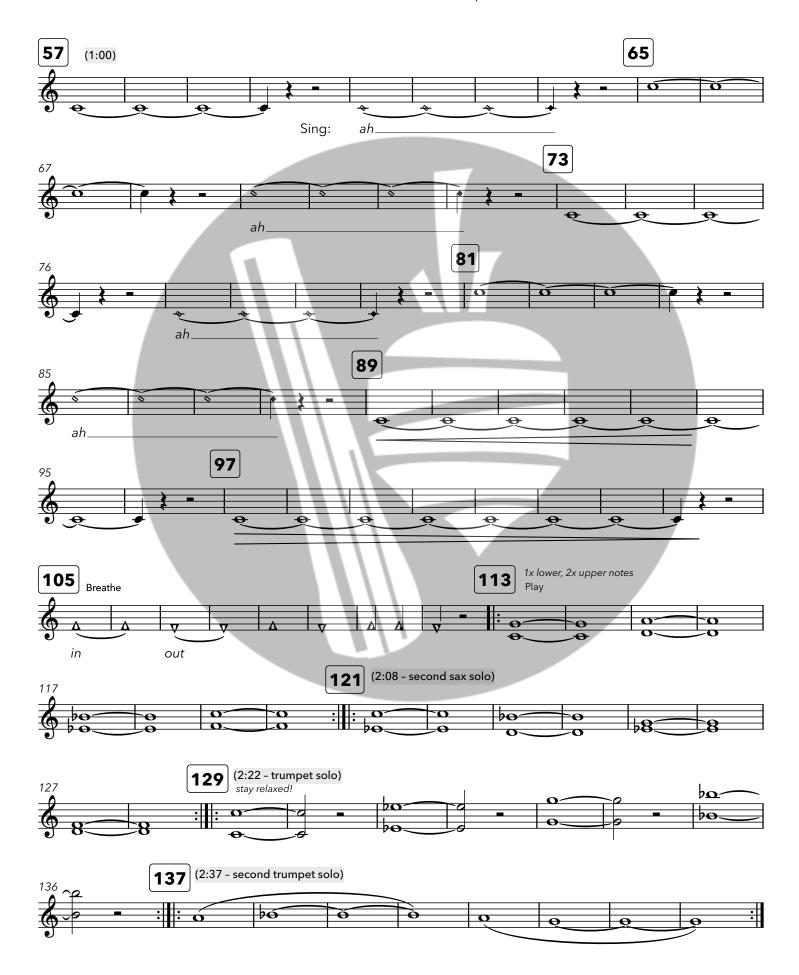
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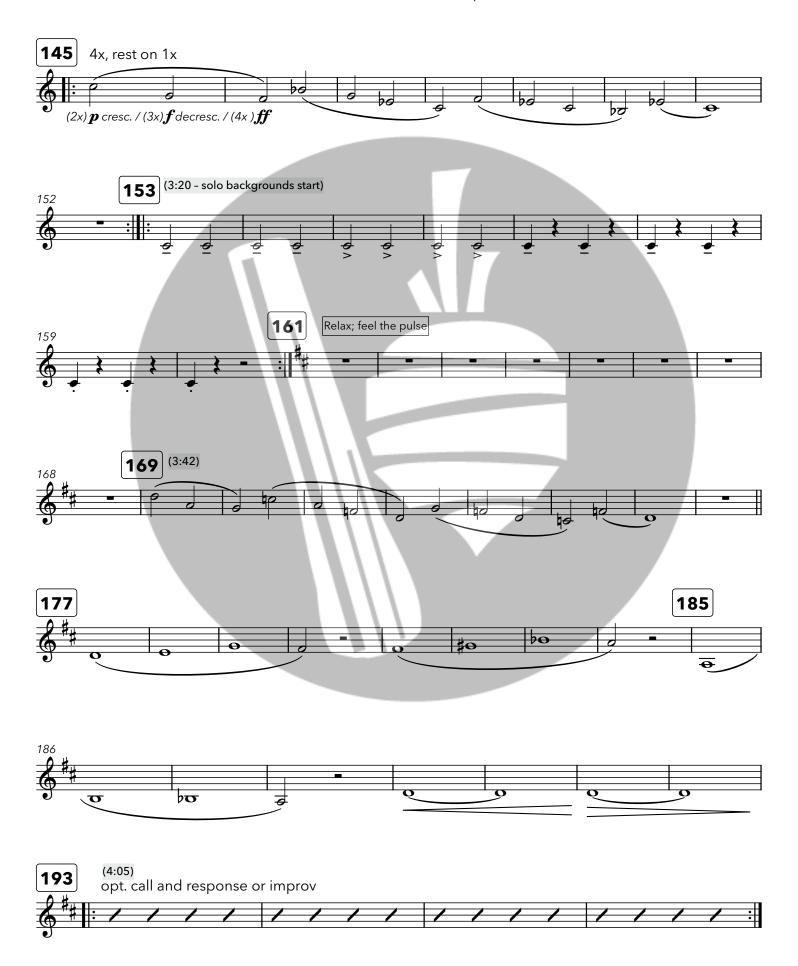
WARMUPS WITH...

Tio Macaco

This exercise is meant to be played with "Tio Macaco" from the album We Like it Here by Snarky Puppy.







Нарру

This exercise is meant to be played with "Happy" from the album *Despicable Me 2: Original Motion Picture Soundtrack* by Pharrell Williams.





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Still Feel

This exercise is meant to be played with "Still Feel" from the album *In Florescence - EP* by Half Alive.





Umbrella

This exercise is meant to be played with "Umbrella" from the album *Covers 1* by Youngblood Brass Band.





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WARMUPS WITH...

Toxic

This exercise is meant to be played with "Toxic" from the album *In the Zone* by Britney Spears.





Something in the Water

This exercise is meant to be played with "Something in the Water" from the album *Greatest Hits: Decade #1* by Carrie Underwood.

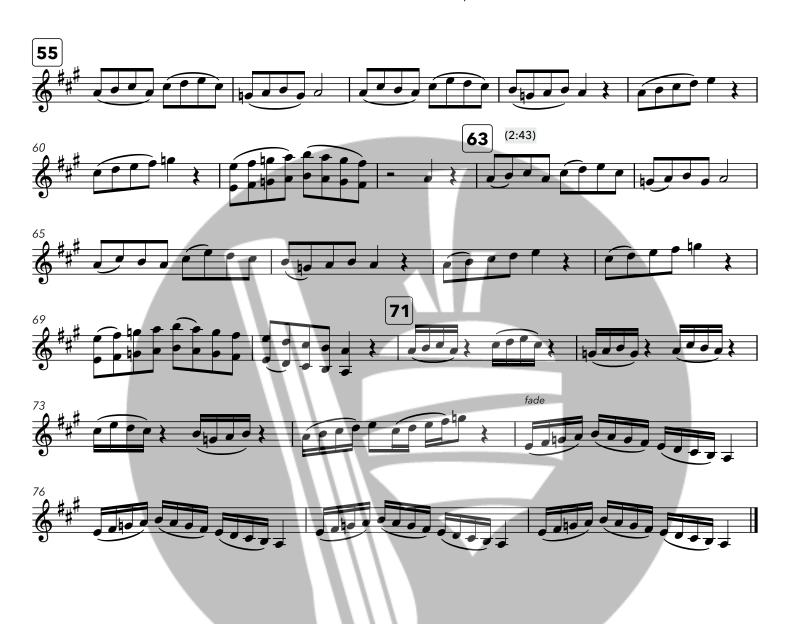




Gratitude

This exercise is meant to be played with "Gratitude" from the album *Gratitude* by Earth, Wind & Fire.





Harder Better Faster Stronger

This exercise is meant to be played with "Harder Better Faster Stronger" from the album *Discovery* by Daft Punk.



