



Long Tone, Chromatic Warm-Ups

A

Chromatic Warm Up (Down and back up by half steps)

**Try to play the entire line on one breath*

Three staves (A, B, C) showing chromatic warm-up exercises in 4/4 time. Each staff contains a series of half notes, starting on a whole note and descending chromatically by half steps, then ascending chromatically by half steps. The exercises are designed to be played on one breath.

B

Long tones with fingers (Go as long as you can on each breath, all slurred.)

**Focus on timing, accuracy, and technique of fingers (even though this is 'easy')*

**Try in cut time.*

Three staves (A, B, C) showing long tones with fingers exercises in 4/4 time. Each staff contains a series of slurred eighth notes, starting on a whole note and descending chromatically by half steps, then ascending chromatically by half steps. The exercises are designed to be played on one breath.

B $\flat$ Overtone Valve Series all the way down - Perfect Fifths (related notes)

Staff C showing the B $\flat$ Overtone Valve Series in 4/4 time. The exercise consists of a series of notes, starting on a whole note and descending chromatically by half steps, then ascending chromatically by half steps.

B $\flat$ Concert Scale - Round

**Each group starts at the beginning when their number is reached by the first group.*

Staff D showing the B $\flat$ Concert Scale - Round in 4/4 time. The exercise consists of a series of notes, starting on a whole note and descending chromatically by half steps, then ascending chromatically by half steps. The exercise is divided into four groups, labeled 1, 2, 3, and 4.

Overtone Series for Warming Up

(and Jigsaw Drills)

If these are the first notes of your practice, take the lower notes.
If already warmed up a bit, take the upper notes.

Try in cut time (twice as fast).

A

8

15

B

1

6

Bb Overtone Series Tuning

Opt.: Add a fermata on each whole note

As a general rule, don't pick the same chord note as the people beside you.

C

1

8

15

Bass Clarinet

Common Major Scales

Concert Pitch
↓
Transposed (your key)
↓

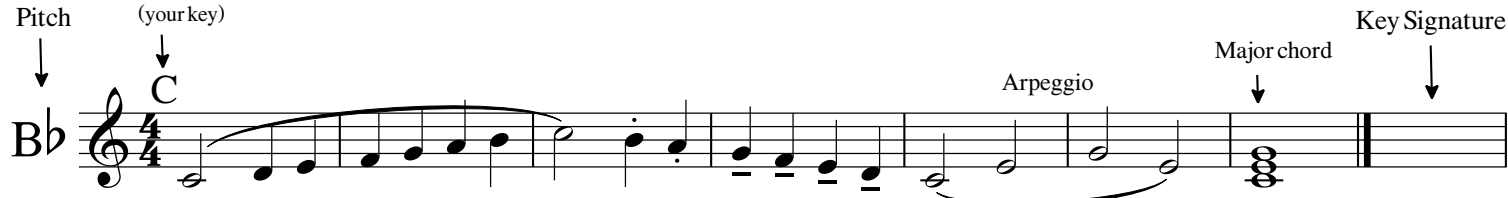
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B♭ C

Arpeggio

Major chord

Key Signature



17

C D



25

D♭ E♭



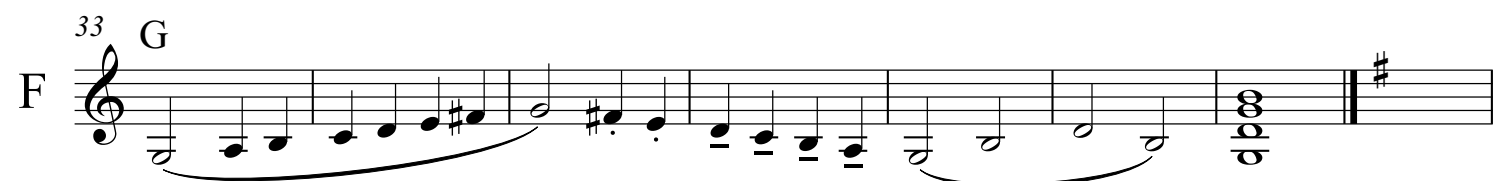
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E♭ F



41

F G



49

G♭ A♭

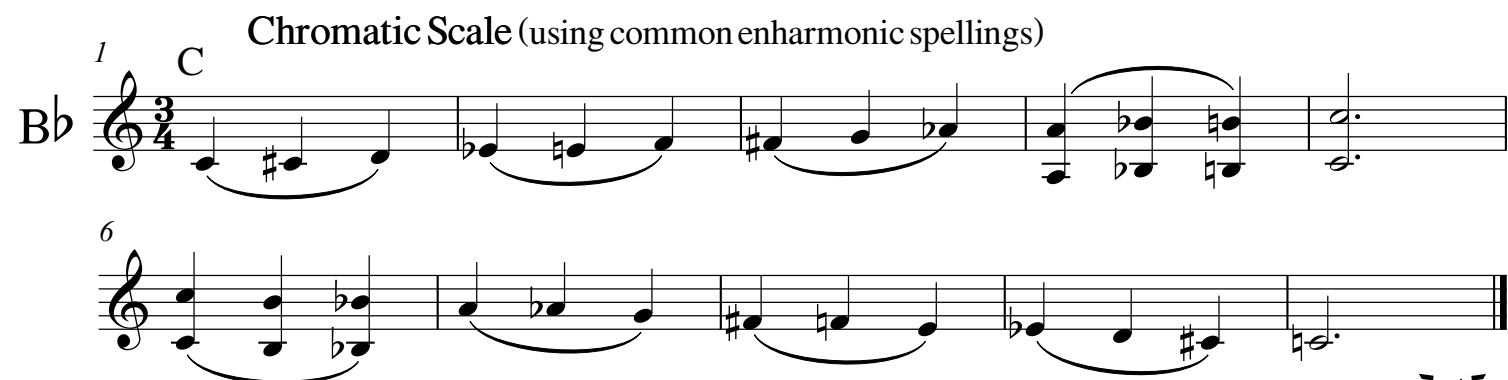


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Chromatic Scale (using common enharmonic spellings)

6

C



The 12 Major Scales

Key Signature

1 C (B $\flat$ Concert)

6 D $\flat$ (B/C $\flat$ Concert)

11 D (C Concert)

16 E $\flat$ (D $\flat$ Concert)

21 E (D Concert)

26 F (E $\flat$ Concert)

31 G $\flat$ (E Concert)

36 G (F Concert)

41 A $\flat$ (G $\flat$ Concert)

46 A (G Concert)

51 B $\flat$ (A $\flat$ Concert)

56 B (A Concert)

Scale & Rhythm Studies



Practice these scales using different rhythm patterns from below.
Try as a round, with each part entering a measure apart. Hold on m.8 until all are done.

Concert
Pitch
↓

Key
Signature
↓

Scale & Rhythm Studies for Bass Clarinet, 4/4 time. The scales are written in concert pitch. The key signature is indicated by the number of flats or sharps in the key signature.

11 A minor
21 B $\flat$ major
31 C major
41 C minor
51 D major
61 E $\flat$ major
71 F major
F G major

Rhythm Guide

Count and clap as needed. Pay close attention to articulations

Rhythm Guide patterns (measures 81-97):

81 [1] [2] *Swing 8ths* [3] [4] [5] [6]

87 [7] [8] [9] [10] [11] *Slur* [12]

93 [13] [14] [15] [16]

97 [17] [18] [19] [20] [21]



Advanced Overtone Series

Be precise and consistent with articulation marks.

A

Exercise A consists of 11 measures of music in 4/4 time. The notation is written on a single staff. Measures 1-5 are in the treble clef, and measures 6-11 are in the bass clef. The exercise features a series of eighth and sixteenth notes, with some measures containing beamed eighth notes. Measure 11 ends with a whole note.

B

Exercise B consists of 12 measures of music in 4/4 time. The notation is written on a single staff. Measures 12-15 are in the treble clef, and measures 16-23 are in the bass clef. The exercise features a series of eighth and sixteenth notes, with some measures containing beamed eighth notes. Measure 23 ends with a whole note.

C

Exercise C consists of 12 measures of music in 4/4 time. The notation is written on a single staff. Measures 24-27 are in the treble clef, and measures 28-35 are in the bass clef. The exercise features a series of eighth and sixteenth notes, with some measures containing beamed eighth notes. Measure 35 ends with a whole note. Accents (^) are placed above the eighth notes in measures 24, 25, 26, 27, 28, 29, 30, 31, 32, 33, 34, and 35.

Clarinet



Etude No. 7

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♩ = 96

mp *f* mp

5

9 9

rit. *f* *p* *ff*

Bass Clarinet

Etude No. 7

Jeff Bolduc

1 ♩ = 96

mp *f* mp

5

9 9

rit. *f* *p* *ff*

Clarinet



Etude No. 4

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Medium Waltz

1

1

p *mf*

5

9

11

f *p*

Bass Clarinet

Etude No. 4

Jeff Bolduc

Medium Waltz

1

17

p *mf*

5

9

11

f *p*



Etude No. 14

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A *Moderato 1*

p *mf* *mp* *f* *p*

5 *fine* //

mf *mp* *ff* *mf* *p*

9 **B** *opt. Rubato?* *speed up* ----- *slow down* ----- *faster* ----- *slow down* ----- *d.s.al fine*

Slow *ten.* *cresc. poco a poco* *ff* *p*

pp *mf* *pp*

Bass Clarinet

ABA Form

Etude No. 14

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A *Moderato 1*

p *mf* *mp* *f* *p*

5 *fine* //

mf *mp* *ff* *mf* *p*

9 **B** *opt. Rubato?* *speed up* ----- *slow down* ----- *faster* ----- *slow down* ----- *d.s.al fine*

Slow *ten.* *cresc. poco a poco* *ff* *p*

pp *mf* *pp*

2 Octaves?

Try different articulations going up and down (tongue/slur; short/long combinations)

F Concert (G)

4 Arpeggio -----> G major chord

This exercise is in 4/4 time and G major. The first staff shows an ascending eighth-note scale from G4 to G5, followed by a descending eighth-note scale from G5 to G4. The second staff shows a descending eighth-note scale from G4 to G3, followed by an arpeggio of the G major chord (G4, B4, D5) and a final G major chord.

Ab Concert (Bb)

8 Arpeggio -----> Bb major chord

This exercise is in 4/4 time and Bb major. The first staff shows an ascending eighth-note scale from Bb4 to Bb5, followed by a descending eighth-note scale from Bb5 to Bb4. The second staff shows a descending eighth-note scale from Bb4 to Bb3, followed by an arpeggio of the Bb major chord (Bb4, D5, F5) and a final Bb major chord.

Eb Concert (F)

15 Arpeggio -----> F major chord

This exercise is in 4/4 time and F major. The first staff shows an ascending eighth-note scale from F4 to F5, followed by a descending eighth-note scale from F5 to F4. The second staff shows a descending eighth-note scale from F4 to F3, followed by an arpeggio of the F major chord (F4, A4, C5) and a final F major chord.

Two Octave Chromatic Scale Using common enharmonic spellings.

22

27

This exercise is in 3/4 time. The first staff shows an ascending chromatic scale from C4 to C5, followed by a descending chromatic scale from C5 to C4. The second staff shows a descending chromatic scale from C4 to C3, followed by an ascending chromatic scale from C3 to C4.



Tuning Cadences are written in 4-parts instead of full score to allow use by groups from a quartet, a section, or assigned to create full ensemble voicings. For smaller groups or quartets, simply assign each part (A, B, C, D, etc?).

Mix it up to create many uses from class to class. GREAT DYNAMICS BUILDERS!

Very sparse to isolate unisons:

Flute/Oboe-A; Clarinets-A; Alto Sax/Trumpet/Horn-B; Tenors/Tbn.Baritones-C; All Lows-D

Assign parts as you would orchestrate the full ensemble.

For instance: Clarinets would be Cl. 1-line A; Cl. 2-B; Cl. 3-C; Bs Cl-D.

They could play these as a section, or retain these assignments to join full ensemble.

Other possibilities:

Flute 1-line A; Fl 2-B; Ob-C; Bassoon-D

Tp 1-line A; Tp 2-B; Tp 3-C; Hn-D

Alto Sax 1-line A; AS 2-B; Tenors-C; Bari Sax-D

Tb 1-line A; Tb 2-B; Bar.-C; Tuba-D

Bb Tuning Cadence

C Major

Each note is conducted

Eb Tuning Cadence

F Major

Each note is conducted



F Tuning Cadence

G Major

Each note is conducted

1

F minor Tuning Cadence

G minor

Each note is conducted, or in tempo.

1

7

Resolving to the major chord is totally optional

Add optional 9th (A)?