

# Technical & Melodic Studies

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Trombone

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## TECHNICAL & MELODIC STUDIES

**English:** This work in six volumes is intended to provide a comprehensive source of practice material for trombone pupils. Each volume represents on average a year's study. The range, playing techniques and reading problems such as keys, time signatures and rhythmic patterns are presented in a carefully organised and systematic progression.

A special feature is the wide range of musical styles, ranging from the traditional harmonies of folk tunes and baroque and classical forms to the chromaticisms of contemporary music, including jazz influences and what is loosely described as "atonal" music. I feel it is important to accustom the pupil's ear to the intervals and rhythms of modern music from an early stage.

Although many exercises have a precise tempo indication, this is to be taken as a musically ideal tempo which a good pupil may attain with practice. All exercises should of course be practised slowly at first, and there is no harm at all if the final tempo remains considerably slower than the metronome mark.

**Français:** Cette oeuvre en six volumes fournit un matériel de travail compréhensif pour les élèves de trombone. Chaque volume correspond normalement à une année d'étude. La tessiture, la technique instrumentale et les difficultés de lecture telles qu'armures, fractions et schémas rythmiques suivent une gradation précise et systématique.

Le style musical est volontairement très hétérogène et s'étend des formes baroques et classiques jusqu'au jazz, en passant par les harmonies plus complexes, même "atonales", qui caractérisent la musique contemporaine. Il me paraît important que l'élève puisse, dès le début de ses études, habituer son oreille aux intervalles et aux rythmes de la musique de nos jours. Bien que la plupart des exercices comporte une indication de tempo précise, ceci représente un tempo idéal du point de vue musical, qu'un élève doué peut espérer atteindre après une période de travail. Tous les exercices doivent d'abord être travaillés plus lentement, et il n'y a aucun mal si le tempo final reste bien inférieur à l'indication métronomique.

**Deutsch:** Dieses Werk in sechs Bände bildet ein umfassendes Uebungsmaterial für Posaunenschüler. Jeder Band entspricht etwa einem Studienjahr. Umfang, Spieltechnik und Leseschwierigkeiten wie Vorzeichen, Taktarten und Rhythmen folgen einer genauen, systematischen Abstufung.

Eine Besonderheit bildet die breite Palette musikalischer Stilrichtungen, die von den traditionellen Klängen der Volksmusik bis zu den chromatischen Harmonien der zeitgenössischen Musik reichen, unter Berücksichtigung des Jazz und der "atonalen" Musik. Es scheint mir nämlich wichtig, dass sich das Ohr des Schülers vom Anfang an an die Intervalle und Rhythmen der Musik unserer Zeit gewöhnt.

Obwohl die meisten Übungen eine präzise Tempoangabe enthalten, entspricht dies einem musikalisch idealen Tempo, welches ein begabter Schüler am Schluss erreichen könnte. Alles sollte natürlich zuerst langsam geübt werden, und es spielt gar keine Rolle, wenn das endgültige Tempo wesentlich langsamer bleibt als die Metronomangabe.



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**Andante con moto**

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4      **Andante maestoso**

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4      **Allegro moderato**

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**Andante**

5      The score consists of six staves of bassoon music. Measure 5 starts with a dynamic *p*. Measures 6-10 show continuous eighth-note patterns with slurs. Measure 11 includes a crescendo marking (*cresc.*). Measures 12-16 continue the eighth-note patterns. Measure 17 concludes the section with a dynamic *f dim.* followed by *p*.

6      Continues the eighth-note patterns from measure 6.

11     Continues the eighth-note patterns with a crescendo.

16     Continues the eighth-note patterns with dynamics *f dim.* and *p*.

21     Continues the eighth-note patterns with a dynamic *p*.

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**Allegro**

6      The score consists of six staves of bassoon music. Measure 6 starts with a dynamic *mf*. Measures 7-10 show eighth-note patterns. Measures 11-14 continue the eighth-note patterns. Measures 15-18 conclude the section with a crescendo.

8      Continues the eighth-note patterns from measure 8.

16     Continues the eighth-note patterns with a crescendo.

24     Continues the eighth-note patterns.

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**Allegro**

7      The score consists of six staves of bassoon music. Measure 7 starts with a dynamic *f*. Measures 8-10 show eighth-note patterns.

10     Continues the eighth-note patterns with a dynamic *p*.

16     Continues the eighth-note patterns with a crescendo.

20     Continues the eighth-note patterns with a dynamic *f*.

Moderato

8      The score consists of six staves of bassoon music. Measure 8 starts with a dynamic *f*. Measures 9-10 show eighth-note patterns.

5      Continues the eighth-note patterns with a dynamic *mf*, followed by *f* and *mf*.

10     Continues the eighth-note patterns with a dynamic *p*.

15     Continues the eighth-note patterns with a dynamic *pp*.

21     Continues the eighth-note patterns with a dynamic *f*.