Hutchen FLUTE METHOD

#### **BOOK ONE**

Dear Student:

Welcome to the world of instrumental music. This book is designed to help you appreciate, read, and play music.

Have fun with music throughout your life!

Sincerely,

Don 9/-

Paul Effman



"Music is the universal language of mankind" – Henry Wadsworth Longfellow

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#### **Preface for band directors**

Preparation Lessons A, B, C, D, E, and F are for flutes only. Mixed instrument groups can use this method commencing with Lesson 1.

My suggestions are: Tempos = 60 beats per minute (very slow). Tapping and tonguing should be stressed throughout the book. A typical assignment should be one half page per lesson.

> Explain G Clef, Staff, Whole Note, Whole Rest, Bar Line, Double Bar Line, and Time Signature throughout the Preparation Lessons.

Thank you and good luck.

Sincerely,

On g/-

Paul Effman



#### **PRODUCING SOUND**

Creating a beautiful sound is a main goal when playing the flute. The French word embouchure ("ahm' boo shoor") describes the formation of your mouth. Your embouchure, along with the air flow you put into the flute, will determine the quality of your sound.

When starting, use only the head joint. Use both hands to hold the head joint and make certain that the open end is facing to your right.

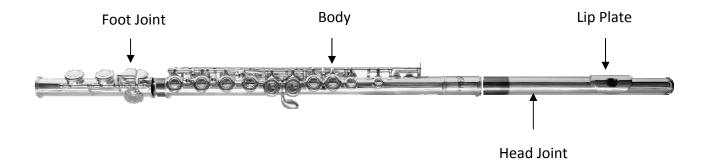
Close lips and smile slightly (keeping lips closed). Place the lower edge of the hole on the lower lip where the wet and dry parts of the lip meet.

Using a mirror, check to see that when blowing air, the opening in the lips (aperture) is centered on the tone hole. Firm up the corners of your lips in this position.

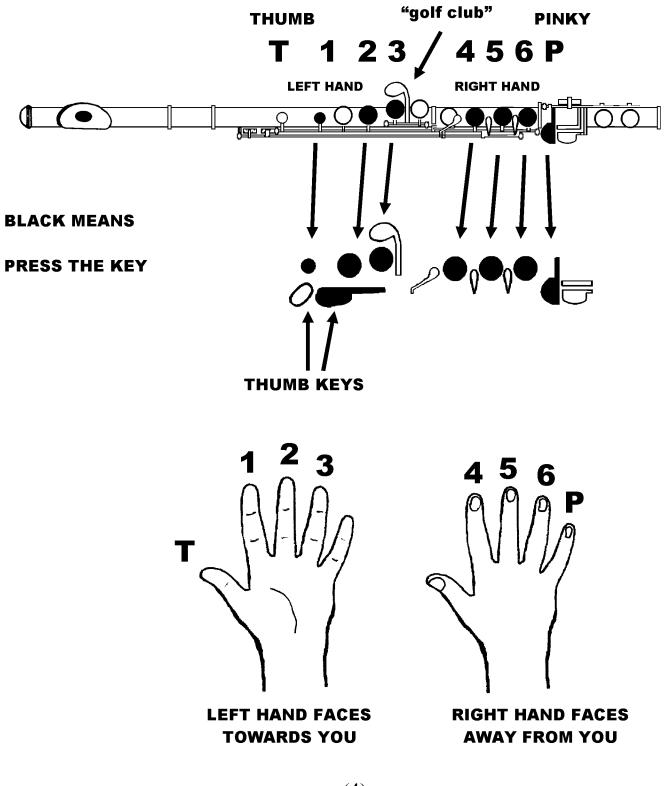
Release your air by pronouncing the sound "Tooo." Blow steady air through the smiling position (as if you are cooling a cup of hot soup). Concentrate on blowing *across the hole* rather than into it.

Produce the sound for several seconds. If you do not have a sound, experiment by rolling the head joint in or out slightly until you produce a tone. If you get dizzy - PUT THE FLUTE DOWN. After several successful attempts at producing sound from the head joint, try the same process with the flute assembled. Be careful that your flute stays parallel to your lips and doesn't droop down. This can be prevented by checking your position in a mirror.

#### NOTE THE POSITION OF EACH FLUTE BODY SECTION BEFORE ASSEMBLING YOUR FLUTE.

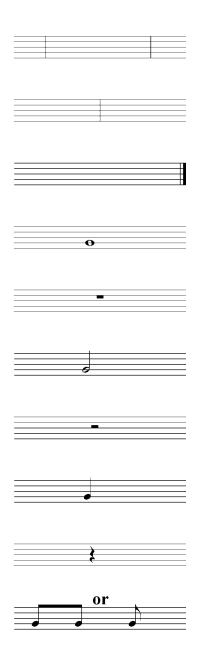


This picture is designed to assist with the fingering diagrams that appear throughout the book. All fingerings are shown on page 36



# **Important Terms**

<b>Music Staff</b>	=	Lines and spaces
Measure	=	Segment of the music
Barline	=	Divides the music into measures
Double Barline	=	End of the music
Whole Note	=	4 beats of sound
Whole Rest	=	4 beats of silence
Half Note	=	2 beats of sound
Half Rest	=	2 beats of silence
Quarter Note	=	1 beat of sound
Quarter Rest	=	1 beat of silence
<b>Eighth Notes</b>	=	Half beat of sound
<b>Eighth Rest</b>	=	Half beat of silence
Time Signature	=	Number of beats in a measure
Ledger Lines	=	Lines that extend the staff

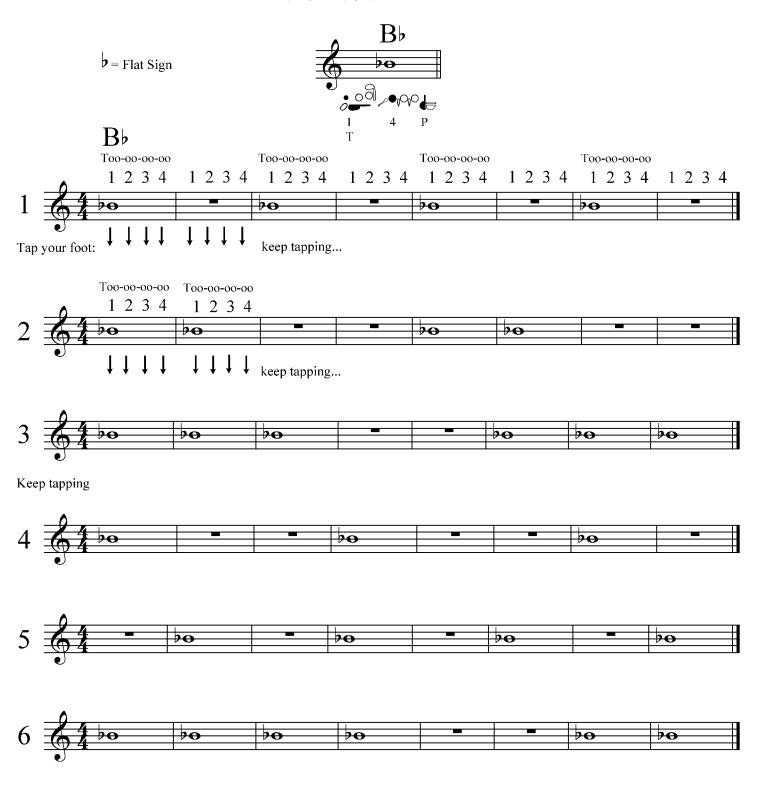






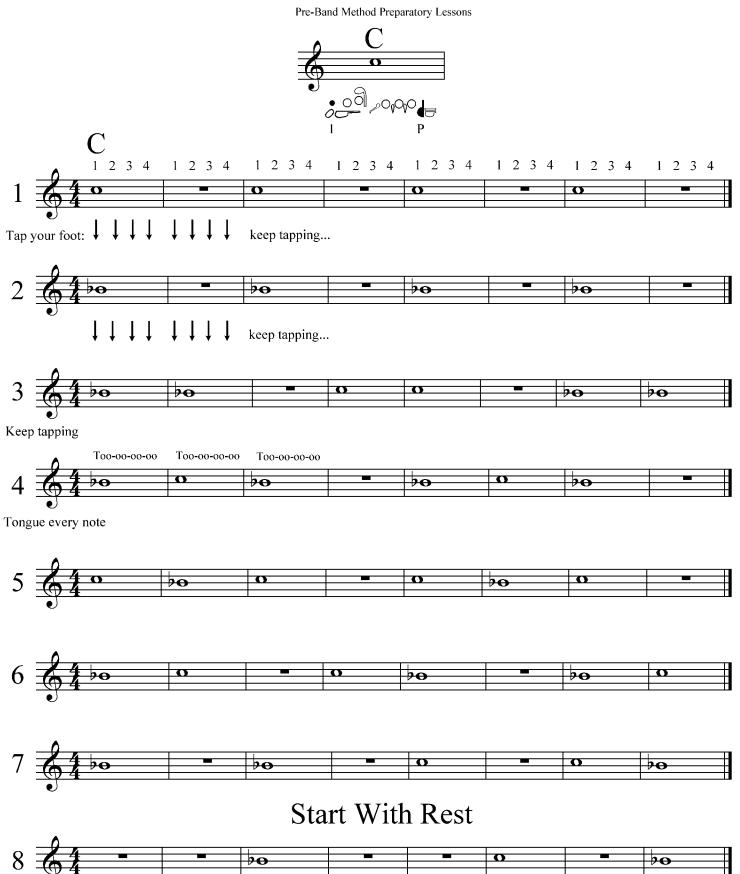
Lesson A FOR FLUTES ONLY Pre-Band Method Preparatory Lessons

Before starting this preparatory page, you need to practice obtaining a sound on only the headjoint. Do not get discouraged. Your teacher will show you how to succeed in getting a sound. This task might take a few weeks. It is suggested that you practice obtaining a sound a few minutes each day. Do not blow too hard. If you get dizzy, put your flute down.





Lesson **B** FOR FLUTES ONLY



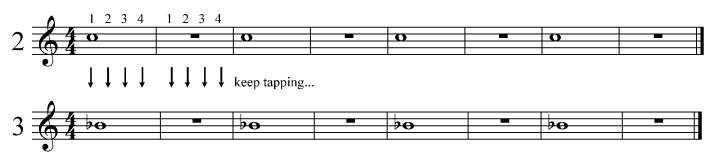


Lesson C For flutes only

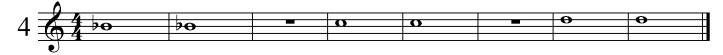
Pre-Band Method Preparatory Lessons



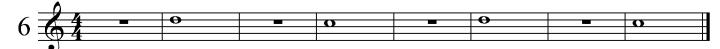




Keep tapping





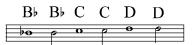


Keep tonguing



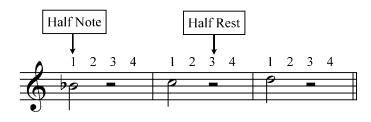






# Lesson D

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Tap your foot:  $\downarrow \downarrow \downarrow$  keep tapping...





Keep tonguing







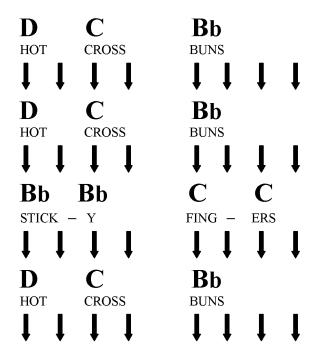


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Lesson E

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Your teacher will explain how long each note lasts and how arrows indicate the number of beats.



DC BbC	DD D	ССС	DDD
MARY HAD A	LITTLE LAMB	LITTLE LAMB	LITTLE LAMB
$\downarrow \downarrow \downarrow \downarrow \downarrow \downarrow$	rest	↓ ↓ ↓ rest	↓ ↓ ↓ r
DC BbC	<b>DDD</b>		
MARY HAD A	LITTLE LAMB		
	rest		
C C D C	Bb		
SHE HAD PURPLE	TOES		

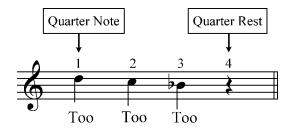
rest



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Tongue every note







Keep tapping

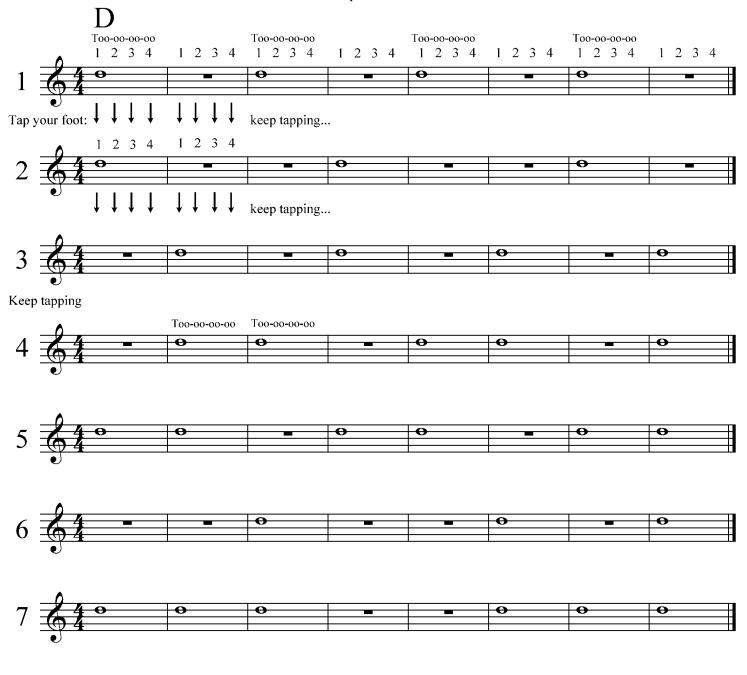




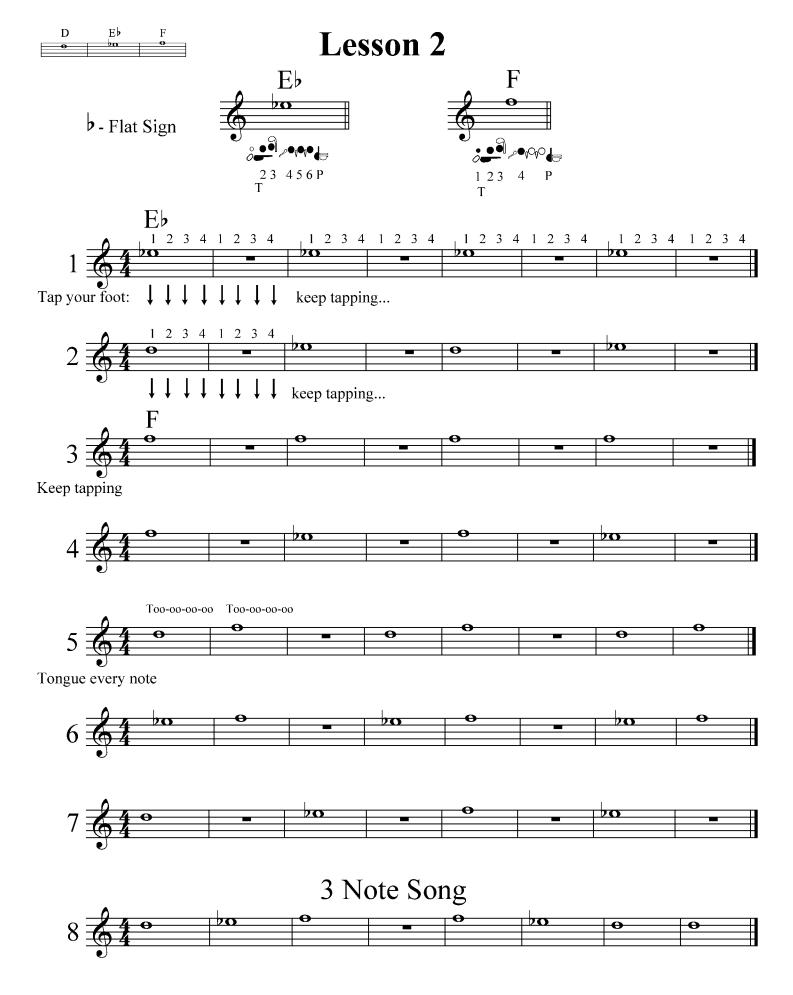
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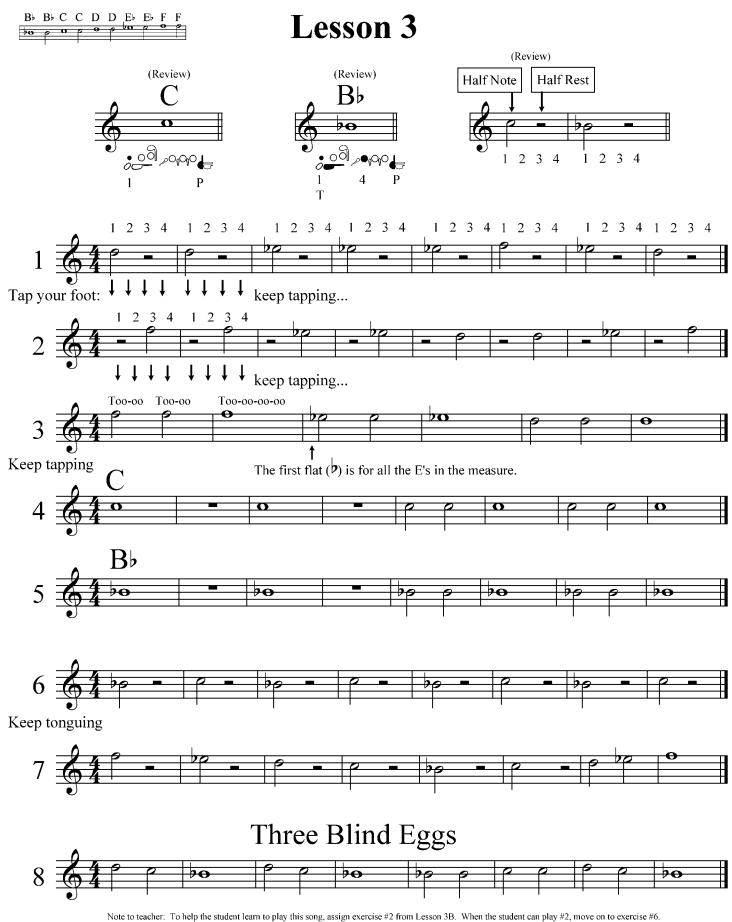






Teacher Notes:It is essential that very slow tempos are used - d = 60. A typical assignment for young students should be half a page.Foot tapping and tonguing should be stressed throughout the method. Over a 2-3 week period (while teaching Lessons 1 & 2)explain:G clef, whole note, whole rest, barline, double barline, and time signature. In order to accommodate ranges of differentinstruments in this series, some exercises will contain unmatched pitches from instrument to instrument. Unless noted otherwise,exercises will remain playable by mixed instruments.





Exercises #1 and #5 may also be helpful.

#### Lesson 3A

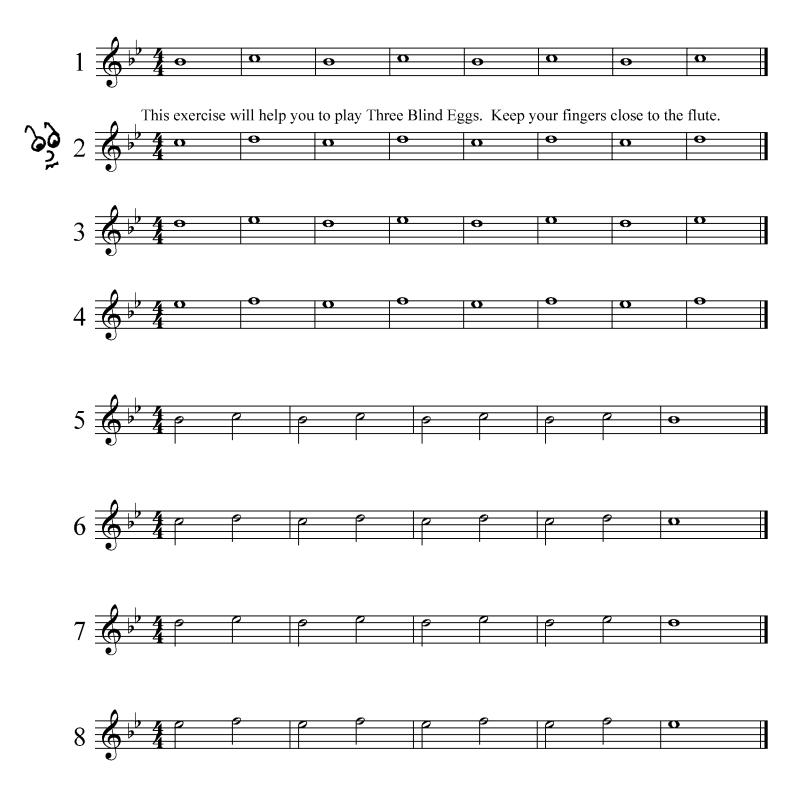
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It is very difficult switching from "F" to " $E^{b}$ " to "D" to "C". The exercises in Lesson 3A and Lesson 3B are designed to help you switch from one note to the next.

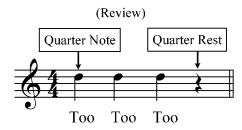


## Lesson 3B

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Tongue every note



Important message to musicians: at this point in your progress, you should start adding daily warm up exercises to your home practice schedule. See Page 34.







**Lesson 8** Holiday Songs

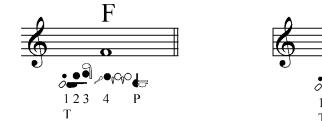


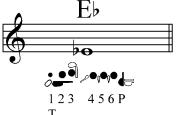


### Lesson 9A

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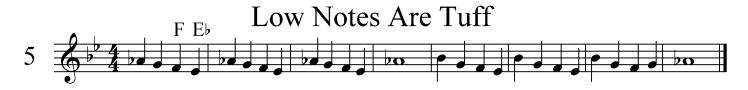
















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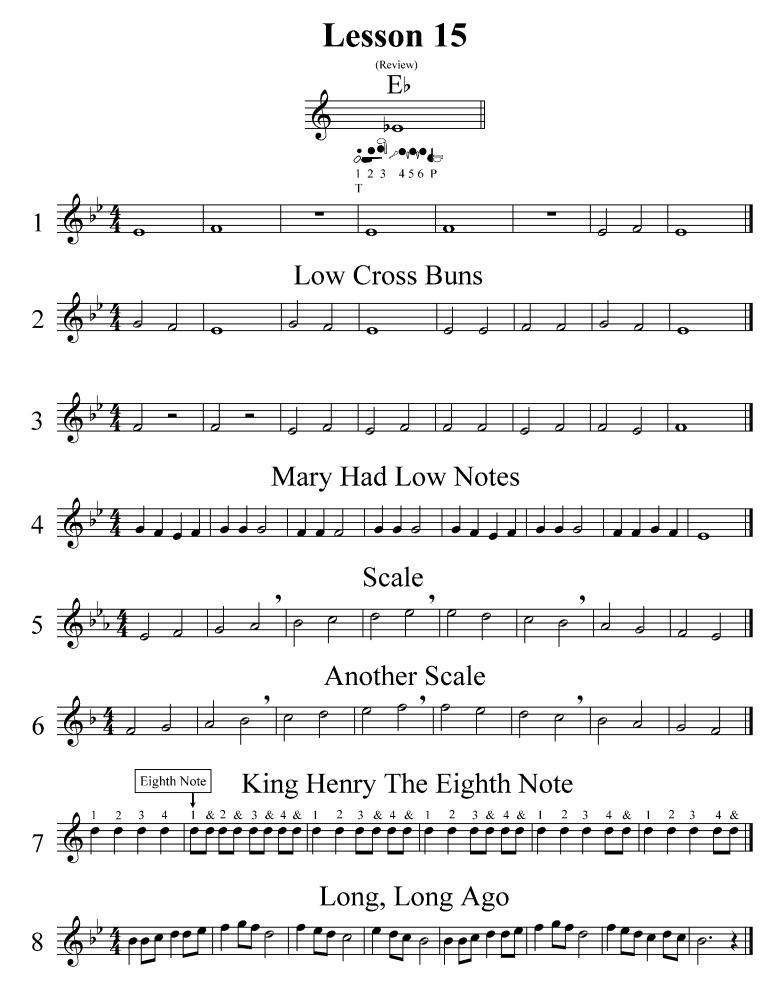




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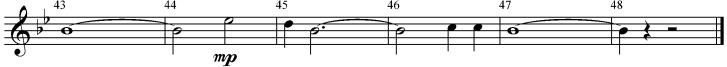






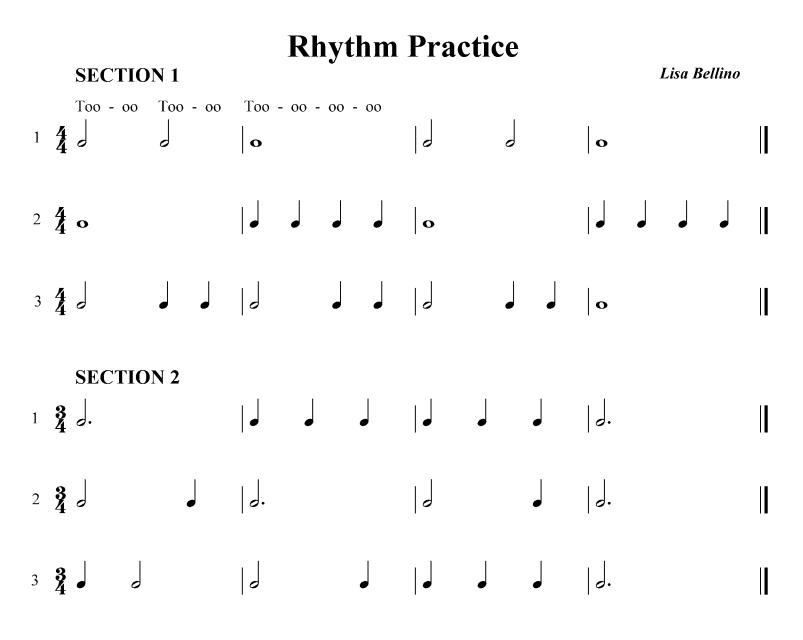
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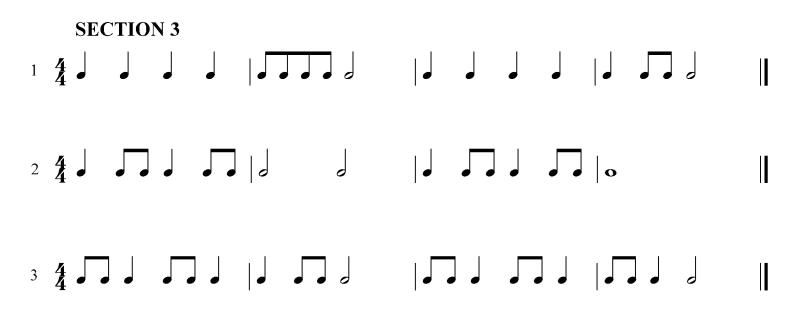
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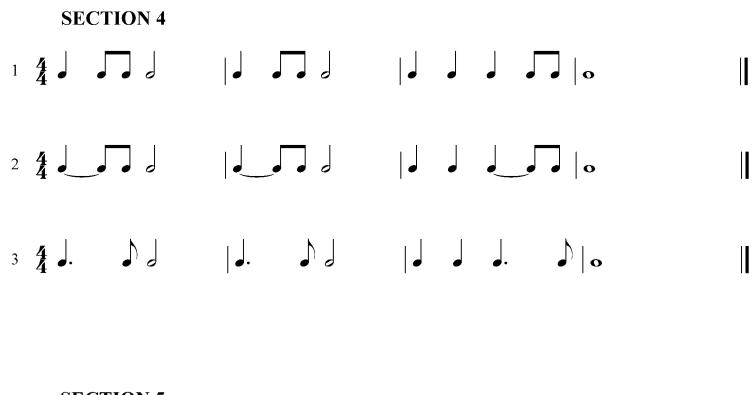


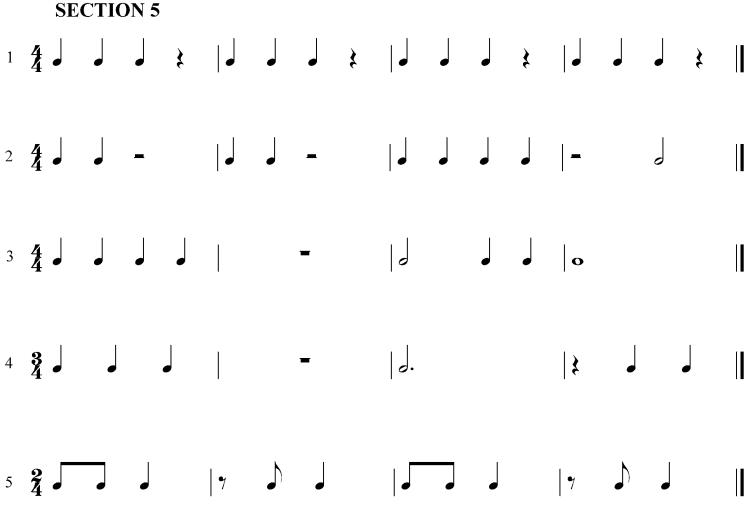
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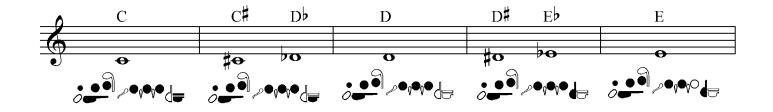


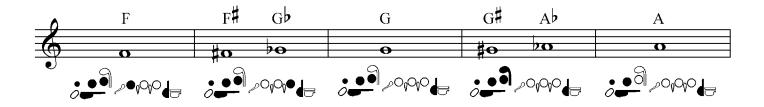
#### **Beginner And Intermediate Flute Warmups** Tap Your Foot B♭ С D E۶ F 0 θ **Breathe Deeply** 0 2 20 Tongue Each Note 3 **bo bo** Stay Relaxed Fermata Try To Get A Clear Tone Θ $A \quad B\flat$ High A and High B $\flat$ have the same fingerings as the lower octave A and B $\flat$ . Scale 10 👗

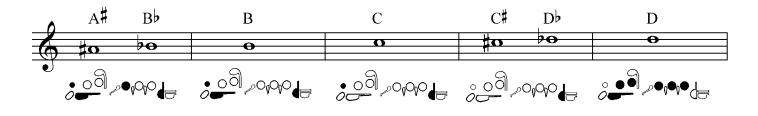
#### VOCABULARY

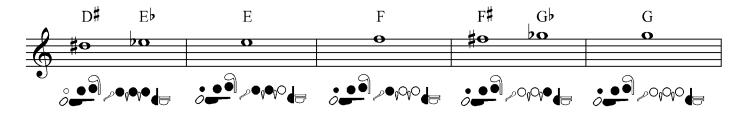
	Accelerando	getting faster
>	Accent	emphasize
	Adagio	slow (between Largo and Andante)
	Allegretto	slightly slower than Allegro
	Allegro	fast
	Andante	medium slow
	Andantino	slightly faster than Andante
	A Tempo	return to the normal speed
•	Coda	the ending section of a composition
	Crescendo (cresc.)	gradually increase volume
	Da Capo (D.C.)	repeat to the beginning
	Dal Segno (D.S.)	repeat to the sign 🛠
	Diminuendo (dim.)	gradually decrease volume
$\mathbf{}$	Fermata	hold longer than written
	Fine	the end
	Forte - f	loud
	Fortissimo - ff	very loud
	Larghetto	slightly faster than Largo
	Largo	very slow
	Legato	a smooth style, connected tones
	Lento	slow
	Meno Mosso	less motion (a little slower)
	Mezzo Forte - mf	medium loud
	Mezzo Piano - mp	medium soft
	Moderato	moderately
	Pianissimo - pp	very soft
	Piano - p	soft
	Росо а Росо	little by little
	Rallentando (rall.)	hold back (slow down gradually)
	Presto	very fast
	Ritardando (rit.)	slow down gradually
	Simile	continue in a similar style
	Slur	to connect notes of different pitches without stopping the sound
	<b>G</b>	
<b>e</b>	Staccato	play the note short
_	Tenuto	hold the note for its full value
	Tie	to connect notes of the same pitch without stopping the sound
	Vivace	fast, lively
	Vivo	very fast (lively)

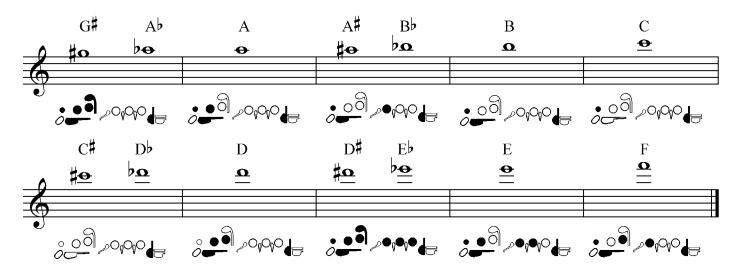
# **FINGERING CHART**











Some notes on the flute have more than one fingering. Your teacher will show you the alternate fingerings when they are necessary.

#### ABOUT PAUL EFFMAN

Clarinetist and music educator, Paul Effman received his undergraduate degree from Queens College, City University of New York, and his Masters of Fine Arts degree from Long Island University. His teachers included such notables as Dr. Marc Donnelly (clarinet), Professor Josef Marx (double reeds), Alvin West (saxophone), and Lee Konitz (jazz saxophone).

Mr. Effman has performed throughout the tri-state area. He was the founder and soprano saxophone player for the Long Island Saxophone Quartet. A notable performance in 2005 featured Mr. Effman as a clarinet soloist at Lincoln Center with the Asian Youth Orchestra.

In addition to being a performer, Mr. Effman has had over thirty five years experience as an educator. His faculty positions include Instructor of Saxophone at the University of South Florida and Instructor of Clarinet and Saxophone at C.W. Post College. He was the Chairman of Music at Tampa Catholic High School in Tampa, Florida and Co-Chairman of Fine Arts at H. Frank Carey High School in Franklin Square, New York. He presently conducts the annual School Honor Band at St. Anthony H.S. in Huntington, N.Y. This festival includes over 700 musicians from over 50 Catholic schools in Long Island, New York.

In 1971 the majority of private and parochial schools did not offer instrumental music. Paul Effman started a band program at St. Hyacinth School in Glen Head, New York. In 1980 he founded the Paul Effman School Music Service. His service provides instrumental music, recorder programs and band instruments. It currently serves schools throughout the East Coast. Today with a staff of over eighty educators, Mr. Effman has filled the musical void that was prevalent in private education. As a result of his mission, countless parents and educators now know that music is an integral part of an overall curriculum.