Trumpet: Five First Notes, C to G

B♭ trumpet · written pitch · treble clef. Read five notes and their valves; your teacher helps you make each sound.

1 · FIVE NOTES, FOUR VALVE SETTINGS

C4



One ledger line below the staff

① ② ③

All open

D4
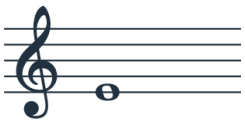


The space below line 1

① ② **③**

Valves 1 + 3

E4
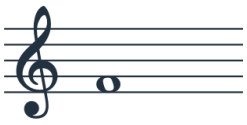


Line 1 (bottom line)

① **②** ③

Valves 1 + 2

F4
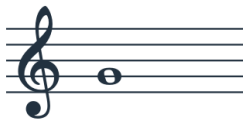


Space 1

① ② ③

Valve 1

G4



Line 2

① ② ③

All open

① ② ③ **Filled** = valve pressed down **Empty** = valve up Valve 1 is nearest your mouth.

C4 and G4 share the same valves (all open); your lips and air choose between them (Handout 425).

D4 (valves 1 + 3) often sounds a little sharp. Later, your teacher may show you the third-valve slide.

2 · WHAT THE PIANO HEARS

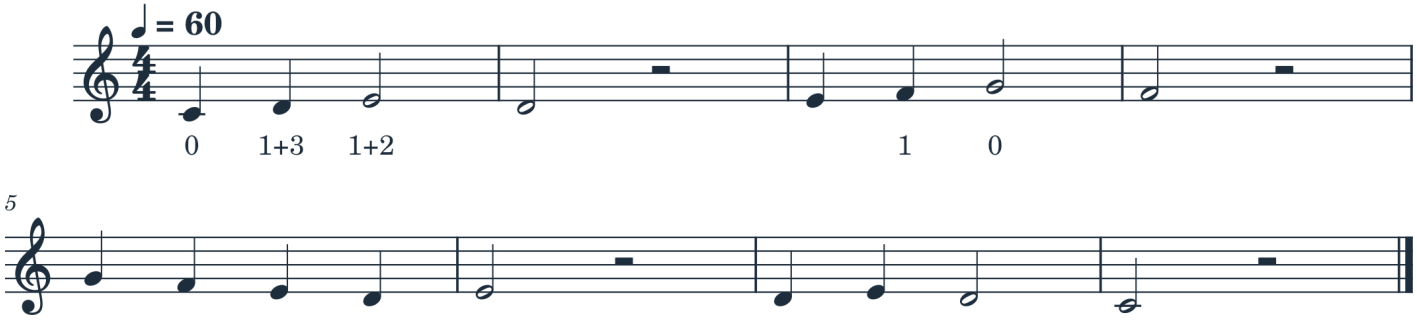
A B♭ trumpet sounds a **major 2nd (2 half steps) lower** than written: one letter lower on a piano.

You read (written)	C4	D4	E4	F4	G4
Valves (0 = all open)	0	1+3	1+2	1	0
The piano plays (sounding)	**B♭3**	**C4**	**D4**	**E♭4**	**F4**

Steps **C** whole **D** whole **E** half **F** whole **G**

3 · READ, REST, PLAY

Original tune · 4/4 · quarter note = 60 BPM. Count **1–2–3–4** in every bar. A half note lasts 2 beats. The small block on the middle line is a **half rest**: 2 silent beats to breathe. Valve numbers (0 = all open) show the first time each note comes.



Say the letters, then press the valves while you count the rests out loud. Then play it with your teacher.

TRY IT Which **two notes** use no valves? Which **valve** is pressed for D, E and F? Write your answers: _____

Listen: the five notes and the tune · quarter note = 60 BPM · sounding pitch. Each track begins after two low piano clicks.
Pitch/rhythm model, not a trumpet tone model.
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Try it answer: C4 and G4; valve 1 (every one of D, E and F presses valve 1).

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