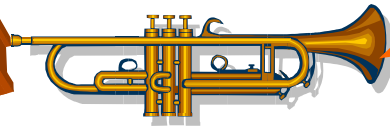


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The Trumpet



Click on the trumpet to hear its sound.

During the next Family Musical Mornings concert, the **TRUMPET** is the featured instrument at the Listener Concert. Here is some information about this beautiful brass family instrument.



Barry Perkins, Principal Trumpet Player for Pacific Symphony

The **TRUMPET** is a very old instrument. Centuries ago, long before music sounds the way we are used to it sounding now, people used instruments that look like a modern **TRUMPET** for all sorts of reasons. They used them as a battle call, a way to communicate to nearby villages, and to alert neighbors. An ancient version of a **TRUMPET** was even found in Egypt in King Tut's Tomb.

Today's modern **TRUMPET** has a little cup on the end you put to your mouth, a long tube, some valves to change pitches, and a bell at the end.

FUN FACT: Trumpet became a regular member of the orchestra in the late 1700's, but the valves weren't invented until 1815.



Click on the magnifying glass picture to learn more about the trumpet!!

FUN FACT: You can make your own trumpet out of a piece of hose, duct tape, and a funnel. Click **HERE** to find out more.

Practice, Practice, Practice! **TRUMPET** players have to learn how to properly blow into their mouthpiece. To practice this, you can cup your hand right next to your mouth, press your lips together, and blow out while your lips are still closed. It's like making the "raspberry" sound. You can even make your raspberry sound have a beat by tapping your tongue against the top of your mouth while you're

Do not forget to write a question before the concert in the Musical Carnival! During the concert a **TRUMPET** player from the Pacific Symphony, may answer your question!