The Ultimate Technical Study For Trumpet

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General Information:

Over 500 sequentially numbered intermediate to advanced exercises (Great for student assignments!)

- **Types of Major and Minor Exercises**
  - Scales
  - Intervals
  - Arpeggios
  - Skips and jumps

- **Varied Time Signatures and Note Values**
  - 4/4 3/4 12/8 9/16
  - Sixteenth, triplet and eighth note exercises

- **Quality Construction**
  - 24lb. 25% Cotton Fiber Writing Paper
  - Archival quality, Acid Free
  - Over 130 pages
  - Sturdy comb binding

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The Circle of Fifths

The Ultimate Technical Study is arranged in a Circle of Fifths! We start our exercises in the key of C, and continue to G, then D, and so on. The basic structure of the Circle of Fifths is self explanatory, follow the circle and begin to realize the relationships between major and minor key signatures and the fifth intervals.

*Notice how the RELATIVE Minor has the same key signature. Example: C Major (outside circle) and A Minor (inside circle) use the same key signature. The Ultimate Technical Study follows the Circle of Fifths for Major Scales, but then uses the PARALLEL Minor Scale. Example: C Major to C Minor.

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How to Use This Book

These exercises are to be played at a speed where mistakes ARE NOT MADE. *(Always Use a metronome)* If you try to play these exercises too fast, you are only practicing and reinforcing mistakes. It is much better to play slowly, accurately and consciously listening to your sound. It is more important to achieve a warm rich tone and pleasing articulation. DON'T PRACTICE MISTAKES!

MAKE MUSIC (critically listen to what you are playing)
We are musicians and the reason we play the trumpet is to obtain 'musical experiences' that allow us to express our feelings and emotions. This is what practicing should be, working slowly and methodically on skill development - to obtain musical experiences. There are no shortcuts. It takes time and hard work to learn the art of trumpet playing. You will improve much faster through skill building. The rewards for your hard work can be amazing. YOU will be able to play a piece or phrase so beautifully, that no other person could do it better.

EXERCISES
The exercises are arranged in the Circle of Fifths, The key of C followed by G, D and so on. Each key has 43 exercises - 23 Major exercises and 20 parallel Minor exercises. *(You could reverse the signatures and play the first 23 in Minor and the next 20 in Major!)* You should start practicing these exercises at about 60 BPM and skill build to 130 BPM. The volume should be about MF to F, a full rounded sound. Concentrate on the *quality* of your sound. Is your playing full, warm, rich, musical and pleasing?

**EXERCISE NUMBERS:**

C = Numbers 1 - 43 Exercises

G = Numbers 44 - 86 Exercises

D = Numbers 87 - 129 Exercises

A = Numbers 130 - 172 Exercises

E = Numbers 173 - 215 Exercises

B = Numbers 216 - 258 Exercises

F# = Numbers 259 - 301 Exercises

Db/C# = Numbers 302 - 344 Exercises

Ab = Numbers 345 - 387 Exercises

Eb = Numbers 388 - 430 Exercises

Bb = Numbers 431 - 473 Exercises

F = Numbers 474 - 516 Exercises

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