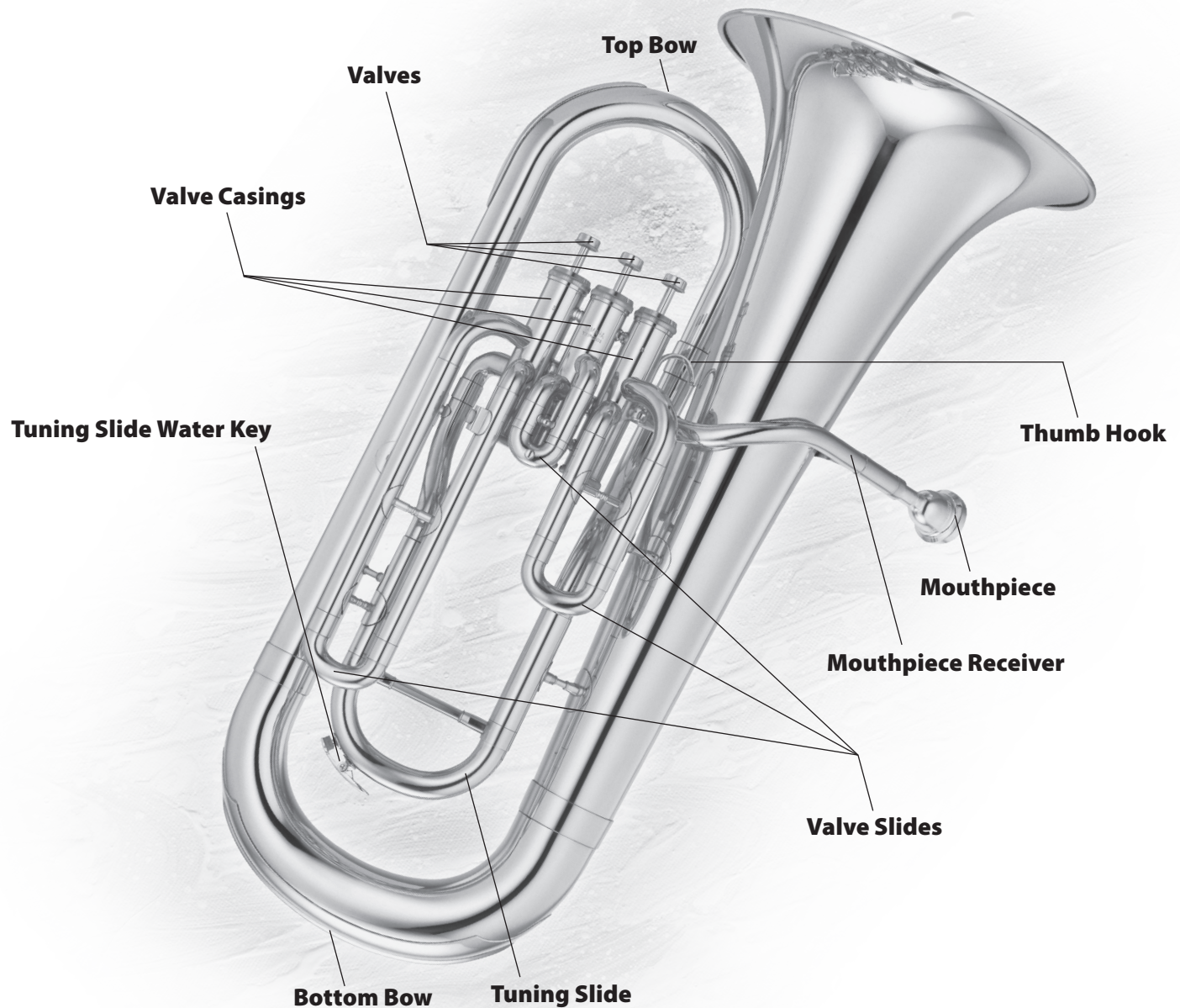


# Ready? Set? Play!

Sound advice for getting started on your instrument

## 1. YOUR INSTRUMENT—PARTS OF THE BARITONE/EUPHONIUM



## 2. PUTTING IT ALL TOGETHER

- A. Hold the baritone/euphonium in your lap with your left hand and carefully place the mouthpiece in the mouthpiece receiver.
- B. Gently twist the mouthpiece to the right, being careful not to over tighten.
- C. Oil the valves regularly. There are several ways to oil your valves. Your teacher will demonstrate how to do this. Clean your hands after applying.
- D. Grease the slides regularly, being careful not to dent or bend the slides. Wipe off excess slide grease and clean your hands after applying.



- ▶ *Parts of the Instrument*
- ▶ *Instrument Assembly*
- ▶ *Disassembly*
- ▶ *Care and Maintenance*

## 3. PUTTING IT ALL AWAY

- A. Remove the mouthpiece by gently twisting it to the left and place it in the mouthpiece holder in the case.
- B. If your mouthpiece gets stuck, seek help from your teacher or a music dealer. They have a special tool to remove a stuck mouthpiece that will not damage the instrument.
- C. Press the water keys and gently blow air through the mouthpiece receiver to remove excess condensation on to a soft cloth or the floor.
- D. Wipe off the outside with a soft cloth. Carefully place the instrument in the case and close all the latches.
- E. Store only your instrument and its accessories in the case. Music, folders, and other objects may bend keys and damage the instrument.



