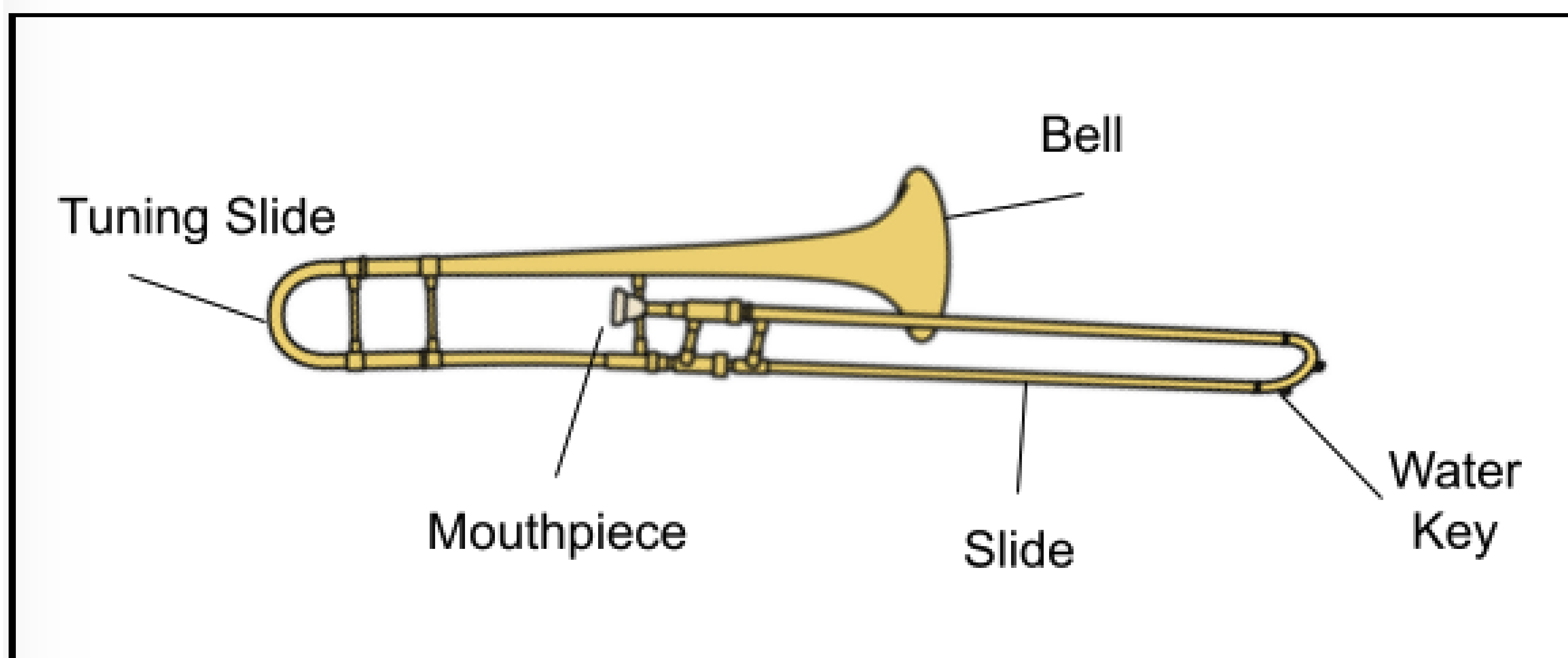


The Trombone



The Facts

- The Trombone is part of the Brass family of instruments. Other instruments in the brass family are french horn, tuba, trumpet, cornet, euphonium, baritone, tenor horn, flugelhorn, mellophone and sousaphone.
- The name "Trombone" comes from Italy and is generally interpreted to mean "Big Trumpet."
- Trombones are nearly always made out of brass but can also be made out of plastic: the "P-bone".
- Unlike trumpets and other brass instruments, however, the trombone doesn't create its notes using valves. Instead, it changes pitch using a slide mechanism that changes the length of the instrument.
- There have been many variations of the trombone but the two most commonly used today are the tenor trombone and the bass trombone.
- Trombones are used in orchestras, concert bands, marching bands, brass bands, big bands, swing bands, ska bands, and jazz ensembles.
- Beethoven was the first composer to add trombones to the standard symphony orchestra.

Pieces to listen to:

- It Don't mean a thing - Wycliffe Gordon
- Trombone Concerto, movement I - N. Rimsky Korsakov
- Trombone Concerto, movement III - D. Bourgeois
- Bolero - Ravel
- William Tell Overture - Rossini
- Ricochet - Hackney Colliery Band ft Dennis 'Funkybone' Rollins

Players to listen to:

- Trombone shorty
- Dennis Rollins
- Christian Lindberg
- Ian Bousfield
- Wycliffe Gordon
- Denis Wick
- Don Lusher