



# How to Care for the Euphonium

**Age Range:** Late Elementary, Middle School

**About:** Students will demonstrate proper care and technique when assembling their instrument and putting it away.

**Total Video Time:** 4:58

## INTRODUCTION

Euphonium player Jacob Grewe will walk you through the basics of putting together your euphonium and taking care of it.

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## STEP-BY-STEP instructions

- Take your instrument from its case, grab your mouthpiece, and insert it into the lead pipe.
- Give the mouthpiece a quarter turn to secure it.
- Make sure your slides and valves are moving smoothly. Grease or oil as needed.
- To grease a slide, remove it, wipe it clean, and apply a small amount of slide grease to the ends of each side. Reinsert it and slide it back and forth.
- To oil a piston valve, unscrew the cap and remove it carefully. Apply a small amount of valve oil on each part. Reinsert the valve so the guide is lined up and screw it back on until it is snug.
- After practicing, empty water through the spit valves and slides as needed.
- Remove the mouthpiece and wipe as needed. Secure the instrument back in the case.

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