Bolero Work-out!

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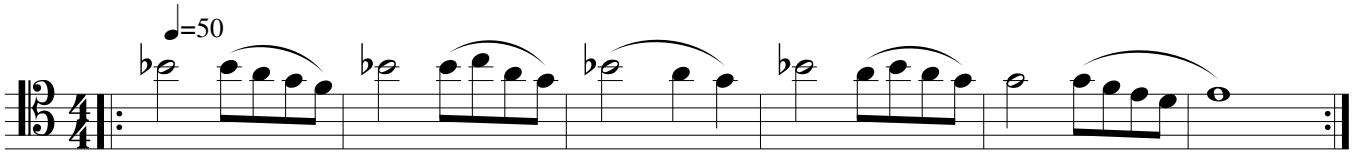
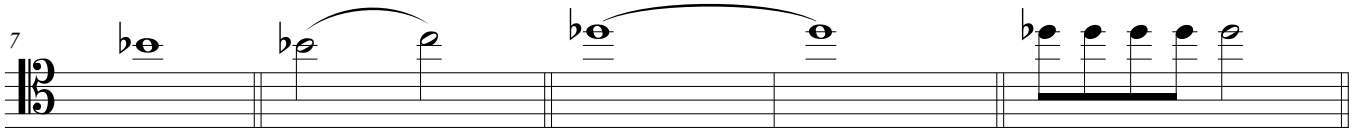
Exercise A



Exercise B: work with tuner and drone for each note in this section



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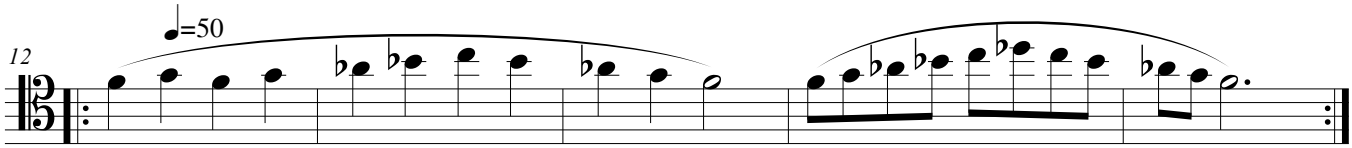

Exercise D

Other helpful tips:

For beginning Bb, if you do not have a high A bridge mechanism, you can leave off right hand first finger to give a cleaner attack (this usually works for any articulated high Bb).

For high Db, to clean up the attack it may help to add the Ab pinky key in the right hand (you will have to practice the pinky slide to the F key from the C before and after). Sometimes adding the Bb thumb key helps (in this case you may need to experiment with adding or leaving off the Ab pinky key).

For certain players, it may help to play high A and/or Ab with the following right hand fingering: Bb thumb key plus F pinky key only (no tone holes).