

Tune it!

A Checklist For Playing In Tune On Your Flute

- Get your flute “generally” in tune by using a tuner. Tune to low A and B \flat , then high A and B \flat (just above the staff). Move your headjoint in or out if you need to.
- Play with your best, most full sound.
- Have good posture at all times.
- Remember: High notes on the flute tend to be sharp, while low notes on the flute tend to be flat.
- While playing, listen for the "beats" in the sound waves. The slower they get, the more in tune you become.
- There are two ways to adjust your pitch:
 - 1.) Slowly roll the flute in or out: Rolling out will make your pitch go higher. Rolling in will make your pitch go lower.
 - 2.) Move your jaw: Drop your jaw (think of saying “aw”) to make the pitch go lower. Move your jaw forward and up (think of saying “ooo”) to make your pitch go higher.
- Practice tuning with other flute players, other instruments, or a music recording. Begin with the same note, then try different notes.



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