How to Practice

Look at the music. Look for phrases or symbols that indicate articulation, dynamics, style, tempo, etc

Play through the music *correctly* VERY SLOWLY (60 BPM is a good place to start)

Listen to what you played compared to the musical markings

Identify the tricky spots and find out what the cause is.

Prioritize what you practice. Work on one aspect of music at a time.

- 1. Right notes/fingering
- 2. Rhythms
- 3. Articulation
- 4. Dynamics
- 5. Tempo

*Always strive to practice with

good tone and intonation.*

Repeat the <u>correct</u> play through of a passage very slowly and gradually increase the tempo when you can play it <u>correctly</u> at the tempo you are working on.

Sleep on it. Our brains are always working to solve our problems. Don't get frustrated. Take a break after a while and come back to it later.



(But no puffy cheeks like her)