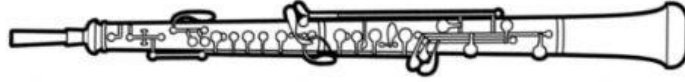


# The Oboe



The oboe is a member of the woodwind family. The oboe is a very old instrument. It is also a member of the double reed family. Its mouthpiece uses two thin pieces of bamboo, which are fastened together with silk thread. This special kind of reed is called a “double reed,” which makes it a member of the double reed family. The oboe is a difficult instrument to play, and it’s hard for musicians to produce a good sound. It has a nasal sound and generally plays very high notes.

**1. Which two families does the oboe belong to?**

**2. What is the mouthpiece of the oboe called?**

**3. What is the mouthpiece made of?**

**4. What type of sound does the oboe have?**