



Woodwind Family 3

Bassoon



Like the oboe, the bassoon has a
Which is attached to a crook.

reed

The bassoon is the **lowest** and sounding member of the woodwind family.

Watch and listen to a bassoon quartet playing *the Pink Panther*.

How would you describe the sound of the bassoon and the music you are listening to?

Listen to the bassoon in 'Peter and the Wolf'. The bassoon represents the grandfather.

Why do you think the bassoon is used to represent the grandfather?

How would you music?

The bassoon is used in 'The Sorcerer's Apprentice' which you may well know from Disney's Fantasia. Watch the bassoon clip here:

How many beats are in the bar?

What technique is being used in the violins?

Is the piece major or minor?

Are the bassoons playing STACCATO or LEGATO?

(Nb click here for an explanation of what these terms mean?)

Watch the first part of The Sorceror's Apprentice in the Fantasia movie:

	Instruments <i>(including any techniques)</i>	How does the music reflect the drama?
0- 1min		
1 min- 1 min 45		
1 min 45- 2:06		
2 min 07- end		

Now watch an orchestra playing the music all the way through: