Practicing the tricky fingering made Joshua's hand sore, but he was determined to get it right. He especially liked playing very fast. *Prestissimo!* 

"Slow ... down ... slow ... down," his teacher said.

The metronome helped Joshua play *adagio*. *Tick* ... *tock* ... *tick* ... until, weeks later, he got all the notes just right and was ready to speed up. *Tick tock tick tock*.