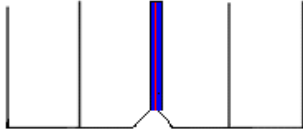


(11) A lower part was broken off

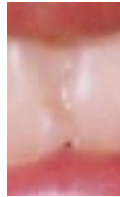
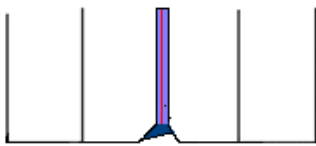


After thinning the lower part, it became easy to make a sound
A few months practice made the lips stable but the very
thinned part broke off.

Result

Though it became easier to blow into a mouthpiece because of less resistance, swift breath was difficult to make. Tone quality became thick. I felt as many more times difference as I used a complete different mouthpiece.

(12)



After refilled

Though looks same, refilled shape and hole position are subtly
different from the last time.

Result

This time, swift breath could be made but the lips did not correspond properly. Took almost one month to make sound, another two months needed to bring back old feeling.

Refilled parts looked same each time, but subtle difference was felt in performing the instrument.

The shape of teeth decides the flow of breath, therefore instrument direction moves from right to left.



The pictures are exaggerated.

Putting the center of lips on the hole and directing the instrument towards breath made performance easier.

How to adjust lips on the hole

- ① Bite lower lip with upper front teeth, check the exit and direction of breath.
- ② Place the mouthpiece at that exit and direction of breath.
- ③ Slight adjustment necessary using the muscle at both sides of the lip.

(13) For an ideal shape, all the gaps were filled again and a vertical ditched line was made.

Result

The exit and direction of breath changed a little. Blowing was difficult because vibrating point of the lips moved. It took more than three months before the lips vibrate as before.

I felt that practice means how to change the muscle.

(14) For more than half a year, I had meals without using the front teeth.

(I repeated repairing the broken lower part. As the lips began to vibrate I stopped the repairing because this practice broke the gaps)

Result

I felt strange feeling of my health.

As I thought that using the front teeth when eating stimulate the brain and facilitate the flow of blood, I stopped this experiment. I started to use the front teeth when eating.

Next, the report of change of front teeth