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Summary (Outline form):

* + - Manipulate strength of reed by scraping
    - Reed blade is the distance from the tip of the reed to the front of the first wire
    - Correct length depends on the stability of key notes
    - Blade length can range from 27-30 mm to the wire
    - If certain notes (e) need more support, reshape wires on tube, then try manipulating reed blade
    - Clip reed tip to give more strength
    - Buying handmade reeds can offer you choices in lengths
    - Easiest way to clip the tip is buy expensive reed clipper (makes it simple)
    - Or you can use a razor blade and guitar pick, but you need to be very careful
    - More important to know how to adjust a reed than to make one