Experiment with these suggestions until you find the few that give you the best results. You should only need to do a few adjustments to make your reeds play better.

To balance - take cane off at #1,2 or 4

To make harder or darker - taper #1 and clip

To make softer - take off at #1,2,4 or 4B; sand bottom #7 or entire vamp portion

To make play freer - cuts in cane at 4B and bark

To make brighter or more brilliant - take off at #2 or 4, or sand the sides #8 (entire length of reed)

To make less brilliant or less shrill - take off from #3 to 4B, or between #3 & 2

