

Objectives

This section will introduce participants to the topic of Oral Health.





Step 1

Why Oral Health is Important?

- For today's session explain to the participants that we are going to talk about oral health.
- \heartsuit Oral Health is the care of our teeth, mouth and gums.
- $\ensuremath{\boxtimes}$ Good oral health is needed to help us eat, speak etc.
- Wealthy teeth also give our face a lovely shape and beautiful smile!



Why do we look after our teeth?

- \Im To remove leftover food.
- \bigtriangledown To stop us from having tooth decay.
- $\mathop{\bigtriangledown}$ To keep teeth white and clean.
- \bigtriangledown To stop us having bad breath.





Tooth Decay

- \bigcirc When we eat or drink tiny pieces of the food can be left
 - on our teeth. We have bacteria in our mouth all the time.
- \bigcirc This bacteria changes the food left on our teeth to acid.
- \bigcirc This acid attacks our teeth and causes cavities (holes in the teeth).

How to Look After our Teeth

- \bigcirc Brush our teeth at least twice a day (morning and night).
- \Im Use a soft bristled toothbrush.
- \Im Change brush every 2-3 months (or when the bristles are worn).
- \bigcirc Floss daily.
- \bigcirc If you can't brush your teeth after meals chew sugar free gum.
- \bigtriangledown Avoid unhealthy snacks between meals.
- \bigcirc Visit your dentist for a check up every 6 months.

Step 2



Food that Affects your Teeth

Step 3

This section will cover what foods are good to eat and what foods are bad to eat for your teeth. We will use the traffic light system to help us learn more.

Green: Go	These foods are a good option to keep our teeth healthy.
Amber: Caution	These foods can cause damage to our teeth so we must eat them in moderation. Unsweetened fruit juice is a good source of vitamins but can cause tooth decay. It is better to drink this at mealtimes.
Red: Stop	These foods will cause tooth decay if eaten to often, so we should limit the amount of them we eat.



Green Foods

Milk/Water Plain Popcorn Nuts Plain/Fruit Yogurt Low sugar -Breakfast Cereal Cheese Fresh Fruit Sugar-free Jelly

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Amber Foods

Diluted Squash

Pure Unsweetened

Fruit juice

Red Foods

Fizzy/Sugary Drinks Sweets Sugar Coated Cereal Chocolate Sweet Cakes Biscuits Ice Cream

Step 4

Games and Activities

⑦ Checklist for bathroom