

## Let's Look At Our Teeth

Print diagram of teeth supplied and give a copy to each pupil

**Teacher:** Ask pupils to look at each other's mouths and study their teeth - look, but do not touch.

**Teacher:** Ask the class. What do you notice about each other's teeth?

Discuss the shape and position of the teeth in the mouth.

- Your teeth look different from one another because they are designed to do different things.

Refer to diagram. Children can colour in teeth as you discuss.

- The Incisors are the teeth in the very front. They're the sharpest teeth, built to cut food and shaped to shove the food inward.
- The Canine teeth are in the corners of your mouth. Because they're meant for grasping and tearing food, they have very long roots. In some animals, the canine teeth are so big they are called fangs. Think of an animal that has big fangs - Cat, Tiger.
- Premolars are located just behind your Canine teeth. Premolars have a more flat chewing surface because they're meant for crushing food.
- The Molars are the last teeth towards the back of your mouth. Molars are much bigger and flatter because their job is to chew and grind the food into smaller pieces.

## Tooth Diagram (Odontogram)

