

Types of Teeth

Did you know?

People have 3 types of teeth.

These teeth have adapted because of the kinds of foods that we eat.

Animals like dogs and cats have well developed canines.

Horses rely on their molars and don't even have canines!

What to do: (Look at the picture)

incisors:

Count all the incisors. There are ____ incisors

Colour them _____

canines:

Count all the canines. There are ____ canines.

Colour them _____

premolars:

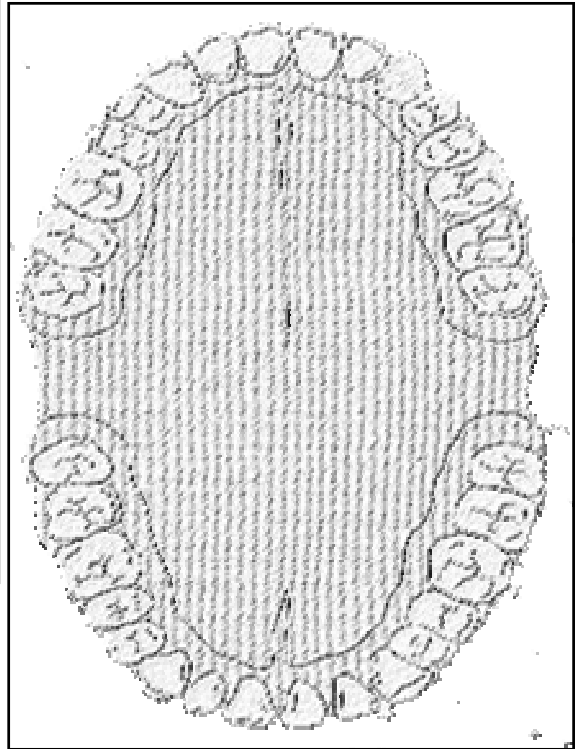
Count all premolars. There are ____ premolars

Colour them _____

molars:

Count all the molars. There are ____ molars

Colour them _____



Use a mirror and count your own teeth:

I have ____ incisors.

I have ____ canines.

I have ____ premolars.

I have ____ molars.

The teeth all have certain functions (jobs):

Incisors are thin and sharp. They are used for _____.

This is most useful when _____.

Canines are sharp and pointy. They are used for _____.

This is most useful when _____.

Premolars are flat and blunt. They are used for _____.

This is most useful when _____.

Molars are large, flat and blunt. They are used for _____.

This is most useful when _____.