# Manuplation, Terminology and Definitions

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Anatomy is a branch of morphology that involves the structures of organs.

Physiology is the study of the functions and mechanisms which work within a living system.

<u>Dental Anatomy</u> is a field of anatomy dedicated to the study of human tooth structures. <u>Dental Physiology</u> is the study of the functions and mechanisms of human tooth structures.

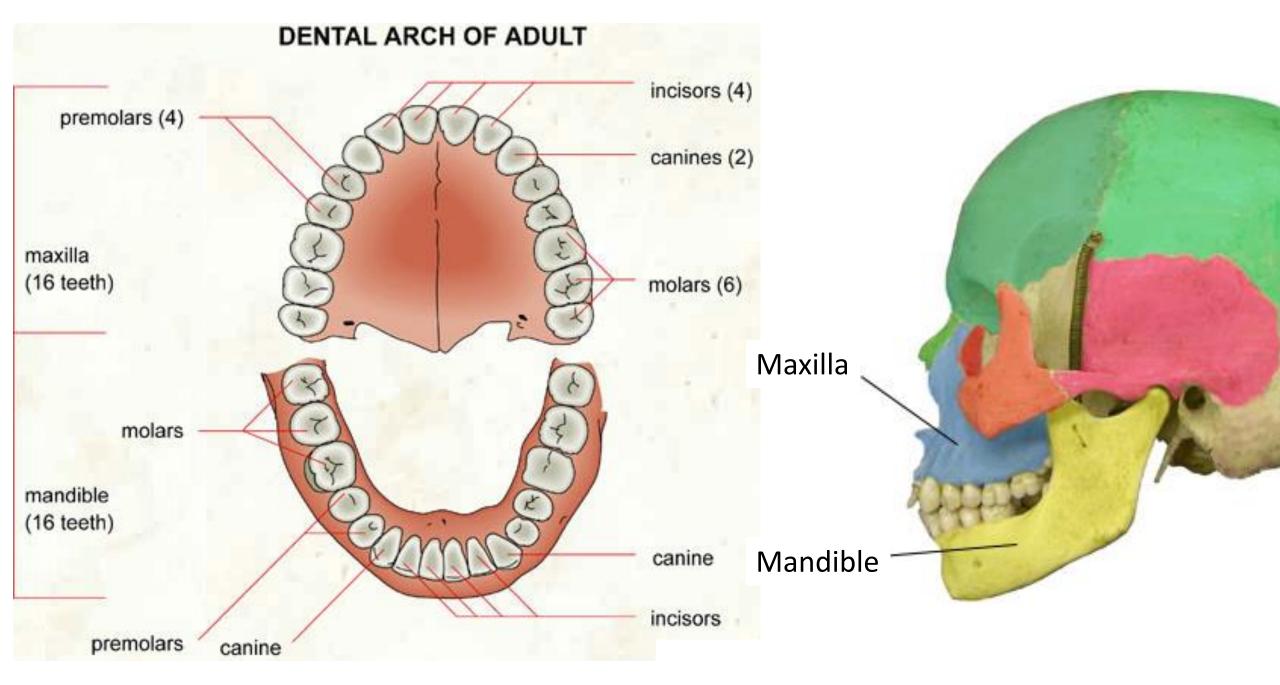
#### Tooths' role

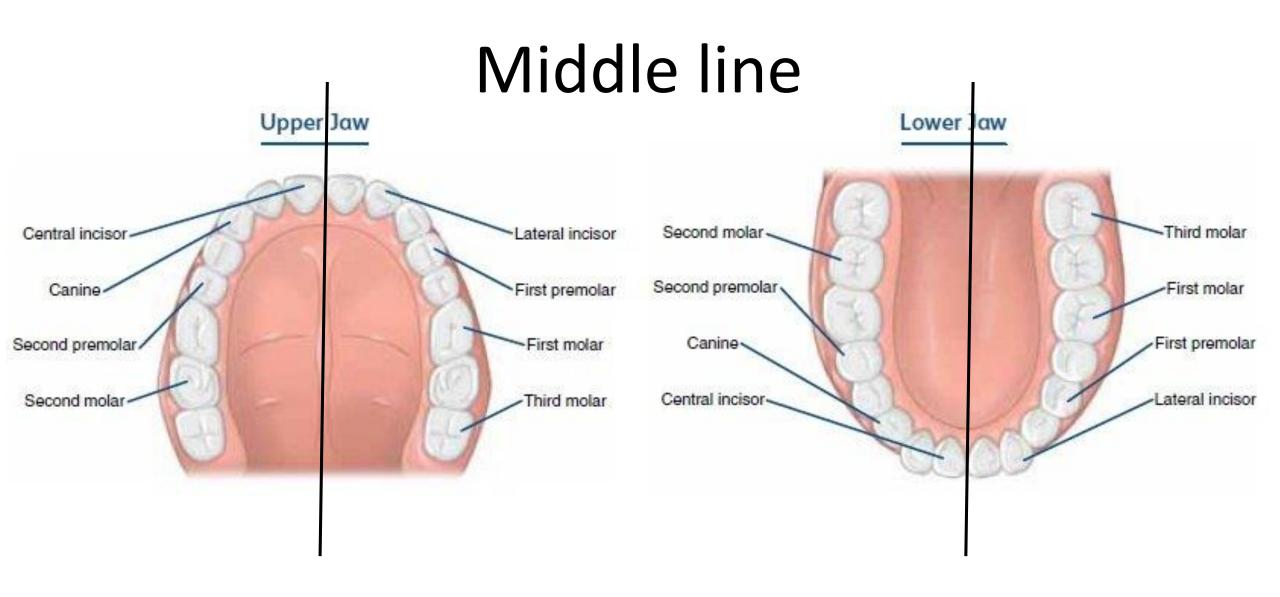
- Chewing
- > Talking
- > Esthetics

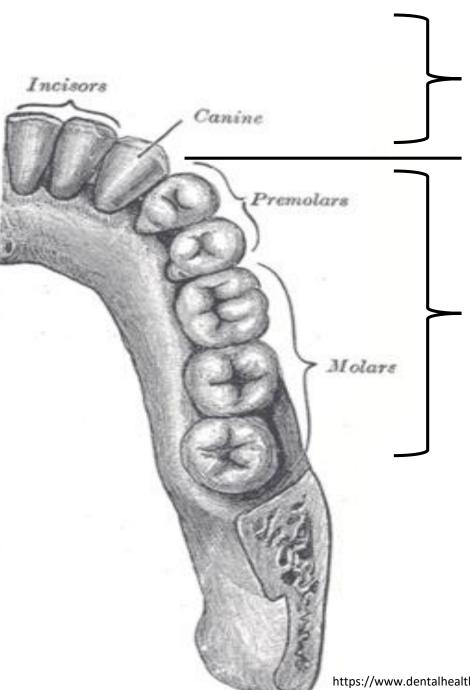












### **Anterior**



The **incisors** at the front of the mouth have a sharp biting surface and are used for cutting or shearing food into small chewable pieces.

#### Posterior

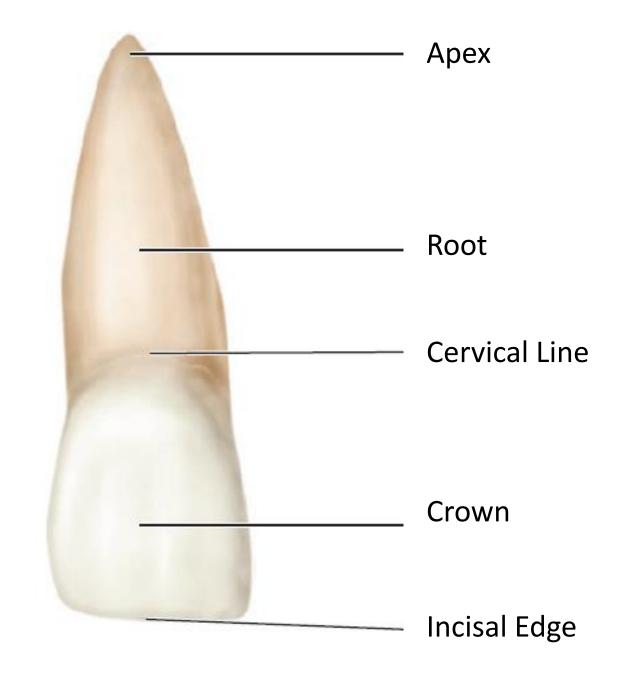
The **canines** are situated at the 'corners' of the dental arches. They have a sharp, pointed biting surface. Their function is to grip and tear food.

The **premolars**, unlike the incisors and canines, have a flat biting surface. Their function is to tear and crush food.

The **molars** are the largest of the teeth. They have a large flat biting surface. The function of the molars is to chew, crush and grind food.

https://www.dentalhealth.ie/children/toothdevelopment/types.html https://upload.wikimedia.org/wikipedia/commons/thumb/4/4c/Gray997.png/250px-Gray997.png

## What is a tooth?





# Terminology of Teeth Structures

- Buccal/labial/facial- Side that faces outward, toward the cheeks or lips
- Lingual/palatal- Inside surface facing the tongue or the palate
- Mesial- Sides of the teeth that face the front of the mouth
- Distal- Surfaces of the teeth that face the back of the mouth
- Occlusal- Surface of the back teeth where biting and chewing takes place
- Incisal- Biting surface of the front teeth

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