

Unit 3 Lesson 1

Oral Hygiene

Vocabulary

Definition

1. bristles	short stiff hairs that form part of a hairbrush or toothbrush
2. circular	a movement that goes in a circle
3. conscious	awake and able to understand what is happening around you
4. cracked	something that is cracked has one or more lines on the surface because it is damaged but not completely broken; skin that is extremely dry will become cracked
5. daily	happening or done every day
6. dentures	a set of artificial teeth worn by someone who has no teeth
7. factor	1. things that help you decide what to do 2. something that is the cause of a situation
8. gums	two areas of firm pink flesh at the top and bottom of your mouth in which your teeth are attached
9. hygiene	the practice of keeping yourself and the things around you clean in order to prevent diseases
10. inflammation	swelling and pain in part of your body
11. lips	one of the two soft parts around your mouth where your skin is redder or darker
12. motion	the process of moving or the way that someone or something moves
13. mouth	the part of your face which you put food into or which you use for speaking
14. mouthwash	antiseptic used to clean or freshen mouth
15. oral	relating to or involving the mouth
16. partials (as in teeth)	a few number of false teeth secured by wire hooks to permanent teeth; used to fill in gaps caused by missing teeth

17. plaque	a thin film that sticks to your teeth contained in saliva
18. routine	the usual order in which you do things, or the things you regularly do
19. saliva	the liquid that is produced naturally in your mouth
20. schedule	a plan of what someone is going to do and when they are going to do it
21. swollen	to become larger and rounder than normal - used especially about parts of the body
22. tongue	the soft part inside your mouth that you can move about and use for eating and speaking
23. toothette	Tool used to swab gums of denture wearers
24. toothbrush	small brush used for cleaning your teeth
25. toothpaste	thick substance applied to toothbrush and used to clean your teeth
26. unconscious	non-responsive and non-reactive due to illness or injury; also can be called comatose
27. washcloth	small square cloth used when bathing