Activity: Smile and Show Your Skeleton

Your teeth are the only parts of your skeleton that are outside your body. So find a mirror, open up, and find out what’s inside your mouth.

- How many teeth do you have? _______
- How many missing (or loose!) teeth do you have? _______

Map Your Teeth: Add your teeth to the empty mouth below. Are they all the same? Humans are omnivores and eat many different types of food, which means we have many different types of teeth! Check off the different types of teeth you can find.

☐ Incisor: flat narrow teeth for cutting off bites of food.

☐ Canines: pointed conical teeth for ripping food.

☐ Pre Molars: ridged teeth with 2-3 hard bumps for grinding food.

☐ Molars: large ridged teeth with 4 hard bumps for grinding food.

Extra Credit: Are everyone’s teeth the same? Practice being a dentist (a bone doctor!) and look inside someone else’s mouth. How are their teeth different then yours?

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