



What does a Dentist do?

Minty Fresh

How they help us

It is very important that we look after our teeth. We must brush them twice a day, eat healthy food and see a dentist at least once a year. When we have trouble with our teeth or we need a check-up, we visit a dentist.



Great Dentists...

- can make people feel comfortable;
- can talk to people in a caring way;
- listen well;
- work hard;
- solve problems;
- are kind;
- and help keep teeth healthy.

What Roles and Responsibilities Do Dentists Have?

Dentists help you to look after your teeth, gums and tongue.

Dentists check your teeth and gums and help you with how best to look after your teeth.



You might also visit the dentist if you have a toothache, need a filling or have broken a tooth.

Where Do Dentists Work?

Most dentists work in a dental practice but some also work in hospitals or with the armed forces around the world.



What Do Dentists Need and Wear?

Dentists usually wear a lab coat over their clothes, a mask over their mouths and gloves to keep everything nice and clean. Dentists use lots of different types of tools when checking your teeth. They use a mirror, a light, a special toothpick, x-rays and other dental kit.



What does a Dentist do? Questions

1. How many times a year should we visit the dentist? Tick one.
 - once
 - twice
 - three times
 - every month

2. Which of these skills are not needed to be a great dentist? Tick one.
 - be able to work hard
 - be able to solve problems
 - be able to use a tablet
 - be able to listen well

3. Which one of these does a dentist do? Tick one.
 - listen to your heart
 - check your teeth and gums
 - look in your ears
 - take your pulse



What Does a Dentist Do? Questions

4. Where does a dentist work? Tick one.

- library
- school
- dental practice
- vets

5. Which of these is used by a dentist? Tick one.

- mirror
- screwdriver
- thermometer
- tape measure