Science - Teeth & Digestive System

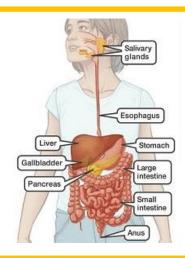
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Overview

This topic examines the structure and function of teeth and gums. We look at ways to keep teeth and gums healthy. We explore the effect of acidic drinks on our teeth. We will consider why the teeth of carnivores and herbivores are different. We then progress to learning about the digestive system and what happens to food once it enters our mouth.

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in the mouth. Oesophagus The tube which carries food from the mouth to the stomach. Stomach The organ in the body that	Word	Definition	
Oesophagus The tube which carries food from the mouth to the stomach. Stomach The organ in the body that	Saliva	The clear liquid produced	
food from the mouth to the stomach. Stomach The organ in the body that		in the mouth.	
the stomach. Stomach The organ in the body that	Oesophagus	The tube which carries	
Stomach The organ in the body that		food from the mouth to	
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receives food that has	Stomach	The organ in the body that	
		receives food that has	
been swallowed.		been swallowed.	
Intestine A long tube type organ	Intestine	A long tube type organ	
which helps break food		which helps break food	
down.		down.	
Decay Damage to a tooth caused	Decay	Damage to a tooth caused	
by dental plaque.		by dental plaque.	
Root The part of the tooth	Root	The part of the tooth	
embedded in the jaw.		embedded in the jaw.	
Predator Animals which eat other	Predator	Animals which eat other	
animals.		animals.	
Prey Animals that are eaten by	Prey	Animals that are eaten by	
other animals.		other animals.	
Consumer A living thing which gets	Consumer	A living thing which gets	
their food by eating plants		their food by eating plants	
or other animals.		or other animals.	



Key knowledge

- Describe some of the main parts of the digestive system.
- Describe what happens when food enters the digestive system.
- Understand some causes of tooth decay.
- Explain animals and humans have different types of teeth to suit the food they eat.

