

“The History of Teeth” Quiz

Directions: Read the feature “The History of Teeth” in the December 2017/January 2018 issue of *Storyworks*. Then fill in the bubble next to the best answer for each question below.

- 1. What does the first section header, “Terrible Fact of Life,” refer to?**

 - (A) During the 20th century, people did not brush or floss their teeth.
 - (B) For centuries, people died as a result of tooth problems.
 - (C) Many dentists used to be poorly trained.
 - (D) Today, patients still suffer from dental disease.

- 2. Why was preventing cavities difficult in Djed’s time?**

 - (A) People refused to stop eating sugary foods.
 - (B) People liked having fake ivory teeth.
 - (C) People did not know what caused cavities.
 - (D) Braces made of cat intestines caused cavities.

- 3. Which line from the article best supports your answer to question 2?**

 - (A) “These holes are painful and can get infected if left untreated.”
 - (B) “But ancient people were baffled by what caused them.”
 - (C) “Cavities were a major source of dental troubles in ancient times too.”
 - (D) “Some long-ago tooth treatments were not so different from what we do today.”

- 4. What does *burrowed* mean in the phrase “tiny animals that burrowed into teeth”?**

 - (A) bit
 - (B) dug
 - (C) crawled
 - (D) jumped

- 5. How did dental care begin to improve in the 1700s?**

 - (A) Some people treated tooth problems in a more scientific way.
 - (B) People no longer suffered serious infections.
 - (C) Barbers could pull teeth painlessly.
 - (D) Dentists treated all patients for a small fee.

- 6. Which line from the article best supports the answer to question 5?**

 - (A) “People also sought help from people known as ‘tooth drawers.’”
 - (B) “Most people relied on barbers to care for their teeth.”
 - (C) “Better-trained dentists created new tools to examine the mouth . . .”
 - (D) “But only the very rich ever saw dentists.”

- 7. Based on “Teeth Through Time,” what first caused people to have tooth problems?**

 - (A) pulling teeth
 - (B) serious infections
 - (C) bristle toothbrushes
 - (D) eating grain

- 8. A main idea in both the article and the timeline is that . . .**

 - (A) an ancient Egyptian woman died from an infected tooth.
 - (B) fillings have been made from odd materials.
 - (C) dentists use X-rays to identify tooth problems.
 - (D) since ancient times, people have attempted to treat their tooth problems.

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