

Why do we have different teeth?



We have different types of teeth: incisors, canines and molars. Each type has a different structure which relates to its function.

Incisors are found at the front of the mouth. They have a flat cutting surface to cut food like a pair of scissors. **Canines** are found next to the incisors.

They are pointed to tear food like a fork. **Molars** are found at the back of the mouth. They have a flat surface to grind food up into smaller pieces

Can you answer the question 'Why do we have different teeth?'

- Can you draw some of the different teeth humans have?
- How is their shape different to each other?
- Think about how the appearance of different kitchen tools, like knives and forks, relates to their job. Can you relate this to your teeth?

Explain why you think we have different teeth.

You can research using the internet or books.

You can find out all about teeth on BBC Bitesize.

<https://www.bbc.co.uk/bitesize/topics/z27kng8/articles/zsp76yc>

You can present your answer in any way that you want. It could be a PowerPoint, a poster, a short video, a collage or anything else you can think of.

