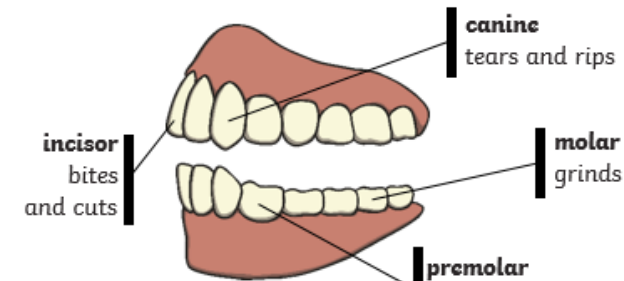


Human Teeth and Their Functions



What will I know by the end of the unit?

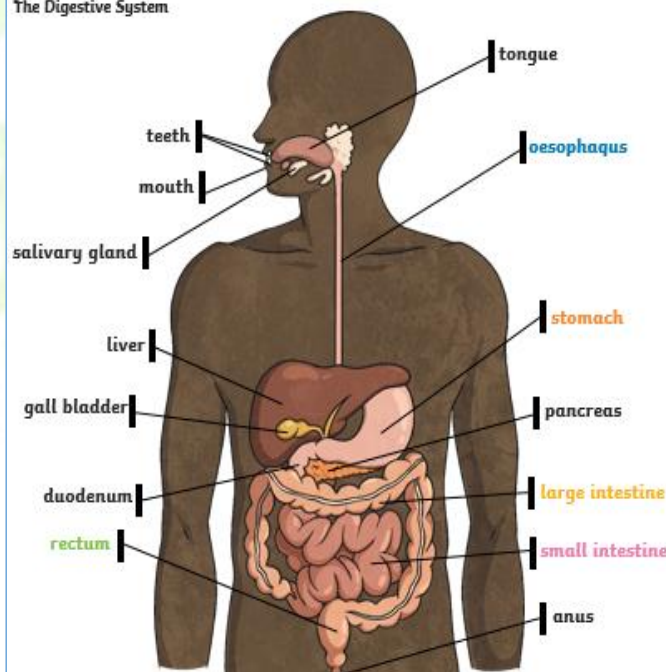
Living things need food to grow and to be strong and healthy. Plants can make their own food, but animals cannot. To stay healthy, humans need to exercise, eat a healthy diet and be hygienic. In order to stay healthy, humans need to eat a balanced diet. Animals, including humans, need food, water and air to stay alive. Foods are labelled using a traffic light system; understanding this system helps us to make healthy choices. The teeth of an animal are designed to eat different foods depending on the diet of the animal.

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The Digestive System



Technical vocabulary

Canine	Teeth used for tearing and ripping
Incisor	Teeth used for biting and cutting food
Pre-molar	Teeth used for holding and crushing food
Molar	Teeth used for grinding food
Wisdom teeth	Some people have these teeth, they have no function
Tongue	A moveable organ used for eating and tasting
Oesophagus	A muscular tube which moves food from the mouth to the stomach.
Stomach	An organ in the digestive system where food is broken down with stomach acid and by being churned around.
Small intestine	Part of the intestine where nutrients are absorbed into the body.
Large intestine	Part of the intestine where water is absorbed from remaining waste food. Stools are formed in the large intestine.
Rectum	Part of the digestive system where stools are stored before leaving the body through the anus.
Saliva	A watery fluid made in the mouth that helps with tasting, chewing and swallowing food
Enzymes	They help with digestion by causing changes
Digest	Break down food so it can be used by the body.

An Example of a Food Chain

The arrows in a food chain show the flow of energy.

