

## DENTAL CARE

• <b>plaque</b> ( <i>noun</i> ) • <b>cavity</b> ( <i>noun</i> ) • <b>wisdom tooth</b> ( <i>noun</i> ) • <b>dental caries</b> ( <i>noun, verb</i> )
• <b>filling</b> ( <i>noun</i> ) • <b>extensive</b> ( <i>adjective</i> ) • <b>crown</b> ( <i>noun</i> ) • <b>extract</b> ( <i>verb</i> ):
• <b>dull</b> ( <i>adjective, verb</i> ) • <b>discomfort</b> ( <i>noun</i> )
• <b>alloy</b> ( <i>noun</i> ) • <b>porcelain</b> ( <i>noun</i> )

- 1) made of semitransparent ceramic
- 2) pain or an uncomfortable feeling associated with a part of the body
- 3) large, big, huge
- 4) to remove by pulling
- 5) a substance that builds up around teeth that can damage them
- 6) to make less sensitive
- 7) tooth decay
- 8) a metal covering over the enamel-covered part of a tooth
- 9) the last (if grown) of the molars
- 10) a mixture of two or more metals
- 11) the gradual process of teeth going bad
- 12) a substance inserted into a tooth to repair a cavity

(1) *The dentist suggested putting a crown on the tooth since the cavity would have been too difficult to repair with a filling.*

(2) *The dentist removed one of my wisdom teeth, because it was bothering me.*

(3) *If you take care of your teeth, you can reduce the risk of having cavities.*

(4) *I went to the dentist's, because I felt a great deal of discomfort in one of my teeth.*

(5) *I was shocked that the dentist didn't give me anything to dull the pain.*

(6) *Different alloy fillings may be used to fill cavities, depending on the severity and location of the cavity as well as the patient's preference.*

(7) *Researchers have conducted extensive studies on the causes and prevention of tooth decay.*

(8) *The dentist extracted the decayed tooth without a problem.*

(9) *If the decay in the tooth is not removed, it could lead to a serious problem.*

(10) *Porcelain fillings may be used to fill cavities, depending on the severity and location of the cavity as well as the patient's preference.*

(11) *I need to get one of my fillings replaced because it came out yesterday.*

(12) *Brushing your teeth regularly and using a toothpaste can help remove plaque.*