

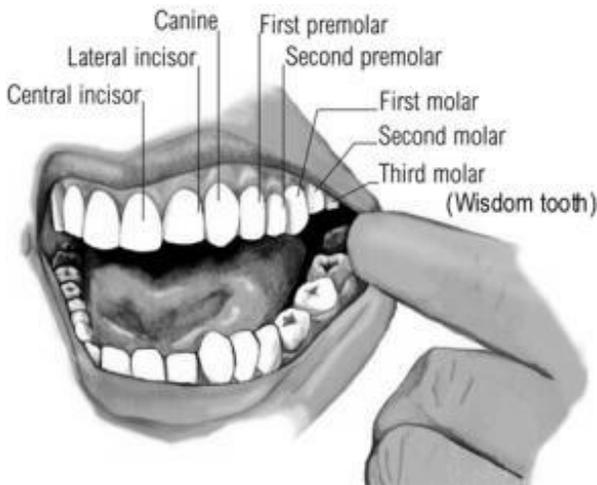
Marvelous Mammals

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Animals that eat both plants and meat (a mix of everything!) are called **OMNIVORES**.

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Are they sharp, pointy, jagged, all the same, or different sizes?



If we look in our own mouths, you will find that we have several different types of teeth!
Examining their shape and size, can you guess how each tooth might help us eat our food?



Teeth in front of mouth: _____

Teeth on sides: _____

Other teeth you see: _____

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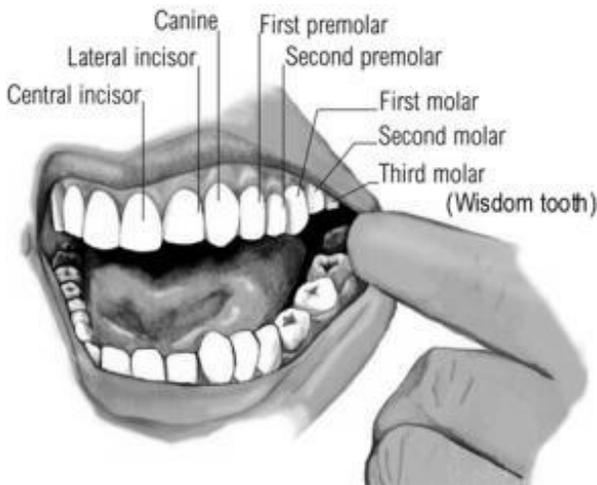
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***Answers may vary.**

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Teeth in front of mouth: **Incisors and canines**
help to cut and tear food into pieces.

Teeth on sides: **Molars help to grind and**
crush food in order to digest it better.

Other teeth you see: **Premolars may serve to**
help tear and grind food.

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I think humans are omnivores because they have teeth that can help them tear up meat and teeth that help grind up plants.



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