



THE SMILE SAVERS

The Smile Savers are your friends and heroes in the bad breath battle. Brush boy and his canine sidekick, the Toothbrush Terrier, fight cavities, bad breath, and plaque by brushing twice a day for at least two minutes. The Fantastic Flosser finds those bits of food and plaque between your teeth that brushing misses. She has an endless supply of dental floss and always flosses between each pair of teeth. The Plaque Punisher fights plaque by choosing food and snacks that are healthy and low in sugar. Plaque uses sugar to create acid that eats away at the enamel of your teeth, causing tooth decay. For a healthy mouth and teeth that will last you a lifetime, join the Smile Savers as they battle plaque, cavities, and bad breath.

WORD FIND

Help the Plaque Punisher learn about snacks that will keep his mouth and teeth healthy. Cross through unhealthy snacks with a line and circle healthy snacks. You can also circle or mark through words that describe the healthy or unhealthy snacks.

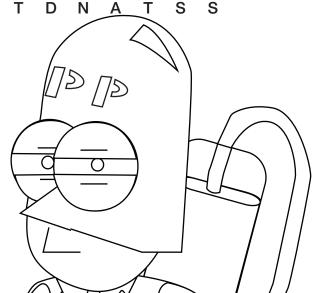
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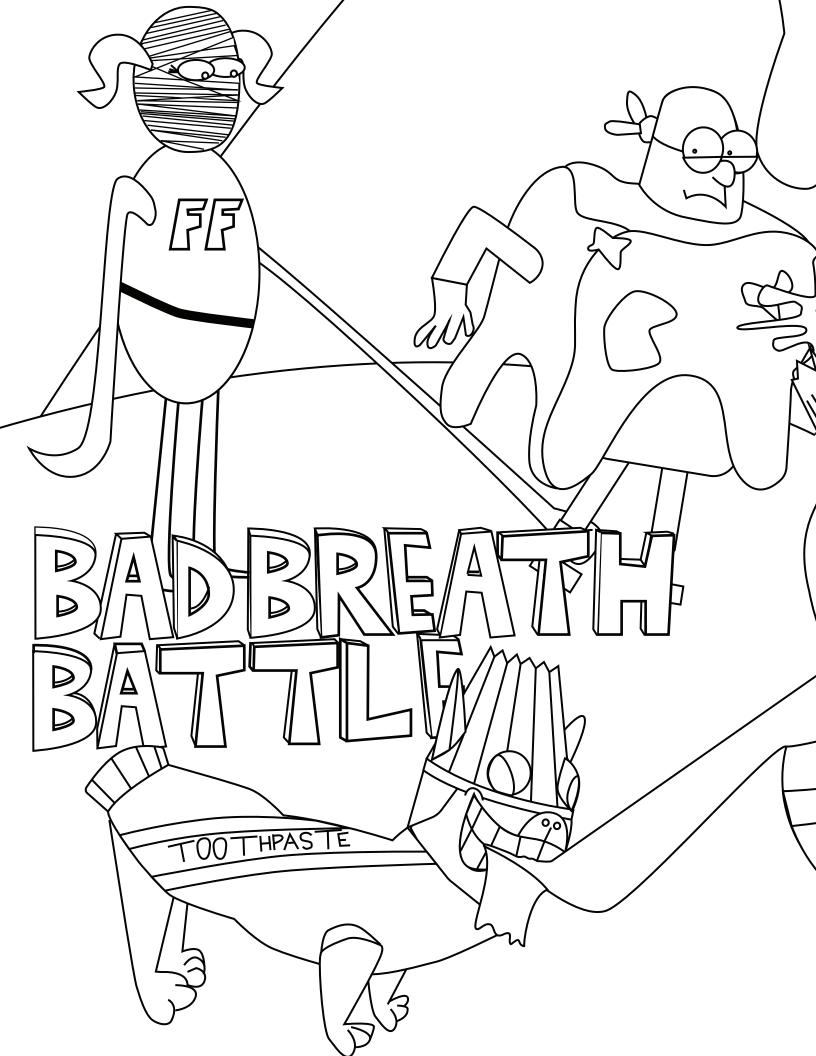
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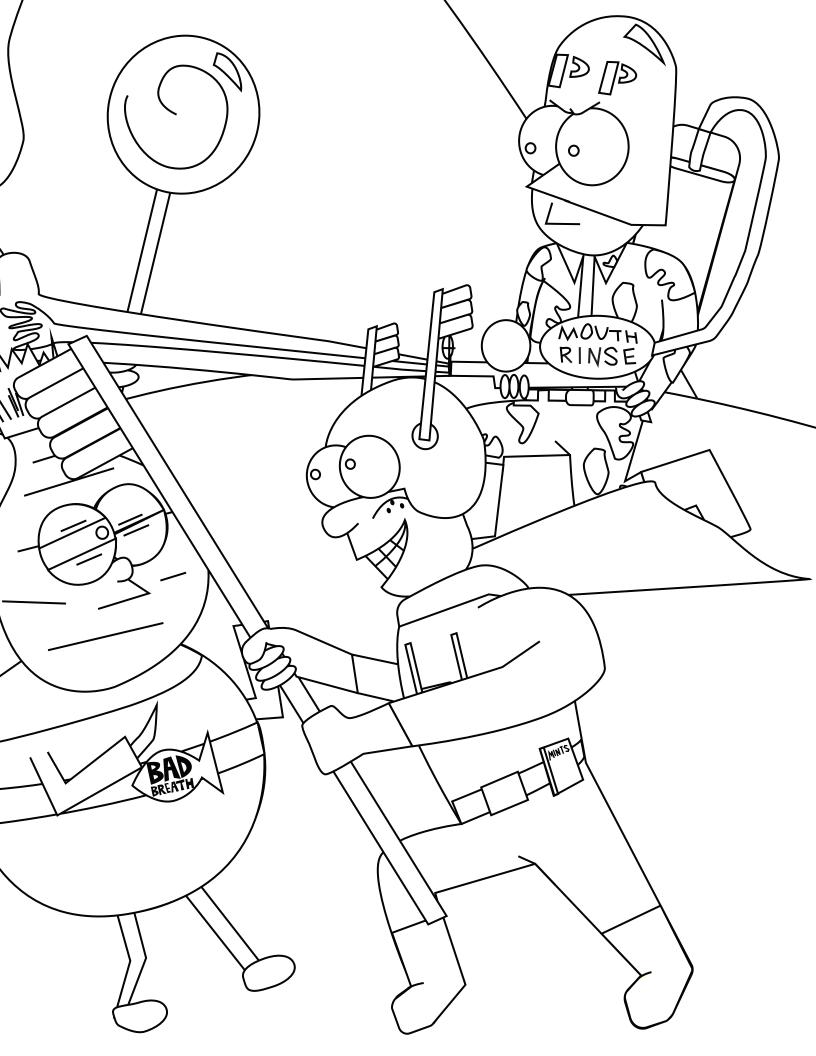
Oranges
Candy bar
Nuts
Low fat milk
Breath mint
Popcorn
Vegetable

Nutritious
Seeds
Soft drink
Grapes
Chewing gum
Cupcake
Carrot

Sweet tea Celery Apple Sugar free Banana Ice cream



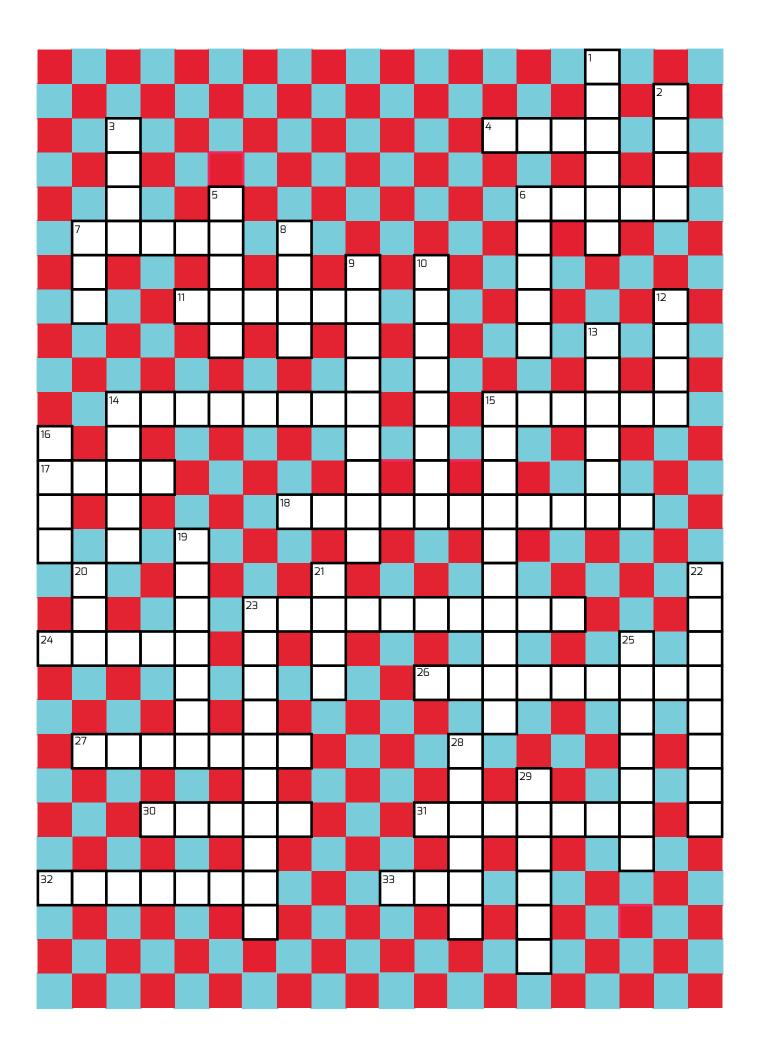




CROSSWORD Help the Toothpaste Terrier complete these facts about maintaining healthy teeth and gums.

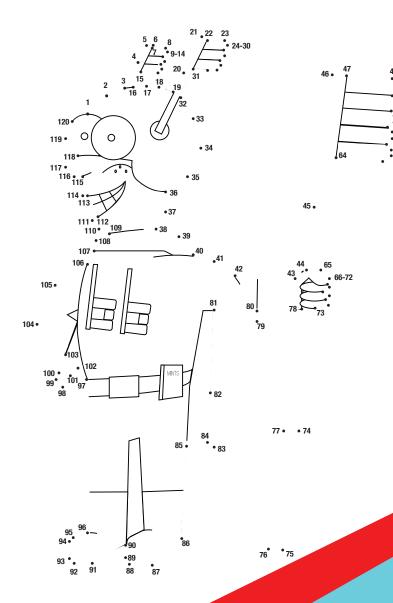
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| DOWN | ACROSS |
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| Drinking milk will make your teeth | 4. The cuspids located at the corners of the mouth are |
| 2. The first set of teeth are called teeth. | used to food. |
| 3. We need teeth to our food. | 6. A bar contains seven teaspoons of sugar. |
| 5. Acid acts on the tooth enamel and leads to tooth | 7. I should brush my teeth per day. |
| 6. The part of your tooth above the gums is called the | 11. A hole in a tooth. |
| | 14. This natural substance helps harden teeth and protect |
| 7. You grow sets of teeth in a lifetime. | them from decay and cavities. |
| 8. Sugar reacts with plaque to create | 15. Back teeth are called |
| 9. At a dentist's office a dental may clean your teeth. | 17. The part of your tooth normally below the gums is |
| 10. Taking care of your teeth will make them last a | called the |
| 12 are a healthy snack. (Squirrels eat them.) | 18 drinks and snacks are the best for my teeth. |
| 13. This is a sticky mass of harmful bacteria found on tooth | 23. This instrument cleans only 60 percent of the tooth |
| surfaces. | surfaces |
| 14. Removes plaque and debris from between the teeth. | 24. Good teeth help you to have a pretty |
| 15. Wear this to protect your teeth while playing sports. | 26. The second set of teeth are called |
| 16. This machine takes pictures of your teeth. | 27. Happiness is a mouth. |
| 19. Fluoride is a and is found naturally in rocks, soil, | 30. Avoid snacks with a lot of to help maintain a |
| water, and other sources. | healthy smile. |
| 20. Plaque is also responsible for this type of disease. | 31. A sign of gum infection is |
| 21. Your toothbrush should be made of bristles. | 32. A dentist applies this to the grooves of the back of |
| 22. Certain live in plaque on our teeth. | your teeth to prevent decay. |
| 23. For good home care of teeth, use a fluoride | 33 the right foods to keep your mouth healthy. |
| 25. You should visit this person twice per year. | do: the right reducte keep your mount health. |
| 28. An unclean mouth (not brushed and flossed) causes | |
| bad | |
| 29. The strong outer covering of the crown of the tooth. | |
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CONNECT THE DOTS

Brush Boy knows that brushing teeth twice a day is the first step to protecting your teeth from harmful plaque!







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WITH INSTRUCTION,
ACTIVITIES
RECOMMENDED FOR
KINDERGARTEN 4TH GRADE

ANSWER KEY

ACROSS:

4. Tear, 6. Candy, 7. Twice, 11. Cavity, 14. Fluoride, 15. Molars, 17. Root, 18. Unsweetened,

23. Toothbrush, 24. Smile, 26. Permanent, 27. Healthy, 30. Sugar, 31. Redness,

32. Sealant, 33. Eat

DOWN:

1. Strong, 2. Baby, 3. Chew, 5. Decay, 6. Crown, 7. Two, 8. Acid, 9. Hygienist, 10. Lifetime, 12. Nuts, 13. Plaque, 14. Floss, 15. Mouthguard, 16. XRay, 19. Mineral, 20. Gum 21.Soft,

22. Bacteria, 23. Toothpaste, 25. Dentist, 28. Breath, 29. Enamel