

ENGLISH FOR DENTISTS IN PRACTICE
PART THIRTY-EIGHT: TOOTH INJURY
PART ONE – answers

VOCABULARY PRACTICE

Match questions asked by a doctor with reasons for which they should be asked

- Q1: Where did the injury occur?
 Q2: How did the injury occur?
 Q3: When did the injury occur?
 Q4: Was there a period of unconsciousness?
 Q5: Is there any disturbance in bite?
 Q6: Is there any reaction in the teeth to cold/hot

R1: Amnesia, nausea, loss of consciousness and vomiting are all signs of brain damage and require medical attention.

R2: This may lead to identification of the impact zones i.e. a chin injury is often combined with crown or crown-root fractures in premolar and molar regions.

R3: An affirmative answer may indicate a luxation injury with displacement, an alveolar or jaw fracture or a fracture of the condylar region.

R4: This information may indicate the possibility of contamination.

R5: A positive finding indicates exposed dentin and/or pulp.

R6: This information may be essential in relation to many injury types. In relation to a tooth avulsion the extent of time and the extraoral storage condition becomes very decisive for later treatment.

Q1	R4	Q2	R2	Q3	R6	Q4	R1	Q5	R3	Q6	R5
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Complete the text with words from the table

Avulsed (7)	Examined (1)	Rejects (12)	Restore (3)	Moist (10)	Require (6)
Socket (4)	Reattaching (2)	Rinsed (8)	Primary (11)	Luxated (5)	Reinsert (9)

Most dental injuries are the result of sports, car accidents, or bad falls. Any dental injury needs to be

1) _____ by a dentist immediately.

Most chipped teeth can be repaired by 2) _____ the chipped piece or by placing a tooth-colored filling. If a large portion of the tooth is broken, a dental crown may be placed to 3) _____ the tooth.

An injured tooth may be pushed out of or further into its 4) _____. We say that the tooth is dislodged or 5) _____ then. Our dentists can reposition the tooth and stabilize. Dislodged permanent teeth often need root canal treatment. However, primary teeth that become dislodged usually do not 6) _____ root canal treatment since they are still developing.

If a tooth gets knocked out, in other terms is 7) _____, it should be handled very carefully. The tooth root must not be touched. If the tooth is dirty, it must be 8) _____ with water. The tooth must be placed back in the socket if possible. If the tooth will not easily 9) _____, keep it 10) _____ until you can see our dentists

If the tooth root becomes fractured, a splint may be needed to stabilize it for a time.

Chipped primary teeth can be restored with a dental filling and dislodged teeth may be repositioned.

Knocked out 11) _____ teeth should not be replanted.

Resorption is when body 12) _____ its own tooth because of a dental injury.