

# Nov. Grade 4 Unit 2 Let's talk Teeth

Content Area: **Health**  
Course(s):  
Time Period: **November**  
Length: **4-6 weeks**  
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## **Unit Overview**

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In this unit, students will be able to explain the structure of the human mouth, tongue, and teeth. The different functions of the teeth and the anatomy of the tooth will be examined along with proper dental care. Several dental problems and solutions along with dental professionals will be discussed as well. Teeth are needed for clear communication (talking) and communication skills will be demonstrated and practiced.

## **Enduring Understandings**

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With proper care, permanent teeth can be kept for a lifetime.

Effective communication skills enhance a person's ability to express themselves and build social health skills.

## **Essential Questions**

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Why is it important to take care of your body?

What is effective communication?

What communication skills do I need for building social health?

## **Instructional Strategies & Learning Activities**

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Teacher presentation with PowerPoint

Worksheet readings & Activities

Whole class discussion

Small group discussion / observations

Note taking

Diagram drawing and labeling

Research & Presentation on aspect of caring for teeth

## **Integration of Career Readiness, Life Literacies and Key Skills**

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WRK.9.2.5.CAP	Career Awareness and Planning
WRK.9.2.5.CAP.1	Evaluate personal likes and dislikes and identify careers that might be suited to personal likes.
WRK.9.2.5.CAP.2	Identify how you might like to earn an income.
WRK.9.2.5.CAP.3	Identify qualifications needed to pursue traditional and non-traditional careers and occupations.
WRK.9.2.5.CAP.4	Explain the reasons why some jobs and careers require specific training, skills, and certification (e.g., life guards, child care, medicine, education) and examples of these requirements.
TECH.9.4.5.CI	Creativity and Innovation
TECH.9.4.5.CI.3	Participate in a brainstorming session with individuals with diverse perspectives to expand one's thinking about a topic of curiosity (e.g., 8.2.5.ED.2, 1.5.5.CR1a).
TECH.9.4.5.CT	Critical Thinking and Problem-solving
	Curiosity and a willingness to try new ideas (intellectual risk-taking) contributes to the development of creativity and innovation skills.
	An individual's passions, aptitude and skills can affect his/her employment and earning potential.
	Collaboration with individuals with diverse perspectives can result in new ways of thinking and/or innovative solutions.

## **Technology and Design Integration**

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Students will interact with the unit using the Smartboard.

## **Interdisciplinary Connections**

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LA.W.4.4	Produce clear and coherent writing in which the development and organization are appropriate to task, purpose, and audience. (Grade-specific expectations for writing types are defined in standards 1–3 above.)
LA.W.4.7	Conduct short research projects that build knowledge through investigation of different aspects of a topic.
LA.W.4.9	Draw evidence from literary or informational texts to support analysis, reflection, and research.
LA.RF.4.4	Read with sufficient accuracy and fluency to support comprehension.
LA.RI.4.1	Refer to details and examples in a text and make relevant connections when explaining what the text says explicitly and when drawing inferences from the text.
LA.RI.4.4	Determine the meaning of general academic and domain-specific words or phrases in a

text relevant to a grade 4 topic or subject area.

LA.SL.4.4

Report on a topic or text, tell a story, or recount an experience in an organized manner, using appropriate facts and relevant, descriptive details to support main ideas or themes; speak clearly at an understandable pace.

LA.SL.4.5

Add audio recordings and visual displays to presentations when appropriate to enhance the development of main ideas or themes.

## **Differentiation**

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- Understand that gifted students, just like all students, come to school to learn and be challenged.
- Pre-assess your students. Find out their areas of strength as well as those areas you may need to address before students move on.
- Consider grouping gifted students together for at least part of the school day.
- Plan for differentiation. Consider pre-assessments, extension activities, and compacting the curriculum.
- Use phrases like "You've shown you don't need more practice" or "You need more practice" instead of words like "qualify" or "eligible" when referring to extension work.
- Encourage high-ability students to take on challenges. Because they're often used to getting good grades, gifted students may be risk averse.
  
- **Definitions of Differentiation Components:**
  - Content – the specific information that is to be taught in the lesson/unit/course of instruction.
  - Process – how the student will acquire the content information.
  - Product – how the student will demonstrate understanding of the content.
  - Learning Environment – the environment where learning is taking place including physical location and/or student grouping

### **Differentiation occurring in this unit:**

Small group work

Use pictures and concrete examples

Assignments/homework written on board

Check for understanding before moving on

Provide an example of the work expectations/sample problem

Start homework in school when possible

Modify projects, if needed

Peer assistance

Carefully selected student groups for group work

Student will brainstorm ways that the curriculum is connected to the real world

Connect the curriculum to the field of knowledge

Incorporate authentic components

## **Modifications & Accommodations**

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Refer to QSAC EXCEL SMALL SPED ACCOMMODATIONS spreadsheet in this discipline.

### **Modifications and Accommodations used in this unit:**

Follow IEP's

Utilize 504's

## **Formative Assessments**

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Assessment allows both instructor and student to monitor progress towards achieving learning objectives, and can be approached in a variety of ways. **Formative assessment** refers to tools that identify misconceptions, struggles, and learning gaps along the way and assess how to close those gaps. It includes effective tools for helping to shape learning, and can even bolster students' abilities to take ownership of their learning when they understand that the goal is to improve learning, not apply final marks (Trumbull and Lash, 2013). It can include students assessing themselves, peers, or even the instructor, through writing, quizzes, conversation, and more. In short, formative assessment occurs throughout a class or course, and seeks to improve student achievement of learning objectives through approaches that can support specific student needs (Theal and Franklin, 2010, p. 151).

### **Formative Assessments used in this unit:**

Teacher will listen for appropriate input during open discussion

Question and answer

Check worksheet and classwork completion

Check homework

## **Summative Assessments**

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**Summative assessments** evaluate student learning, knowledge, proficiency, or success at the conclusion of an

instructional period, like a unit, course, or program. Summative assessments are almost always formally graded and often heavily weighted (though they do not need to be). Summative assessment can be used to great effect in conjunction and alignment with formative assessment, and instructors can consider a variety of ways to combine these approaches.

**Summative assessments for this unit:**

Graded Test

Presentation Project

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**Instructional Materials**

The Great Body Shop Teacher Binder – 4<sup>th</sup> Grade Edition (modified)

Worksheets from TGBS Binder

Teacher developed worksheets

Model and/or demonstration of tooth

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**Standards**

HE.3-5.2.1.5.PGD.1	Identify effective personal health strategies and behaviors that reduce illness, prevent injuries, and maintain or enhance one’s wellness (e.g., adequate sleep, balanced nutrition, ergonomics, regular physical activity).
HE.3-5.2.1.5.CHSS.1	Identify health services and resources available and determine how each assist in addressing needs and emergencies in a school and in the community (e.g., counselors, medical professionals).
HE.3-5.2.2.5.N.1	Explain how healthy eating provides energy, helps to maintain healthy weight, lowers risk of disease, and keeps body systems functioning effectively.
HE.3-5.2.3.5.HCDM.1	Identify conditions that may keep the human body from working properly, and the ways in which the body responds.