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## **Brushing Your Pet's Teeth**

Brushing is the most effective way to prevent tartar accumulation on your pet's teeth. Over 80% of tartar occurs on the outward cheek side of the teeth; therefore, brushing this side of the teeth will offer the best control of tartar. It is not necessary to attempt to brush the inward tongue side of the teeth. The following outline is a guide to help you and your pet get accustomed to the procedure of teeth brushing *GRADUALLY*.

What you will need:

**CET Enzymatic Dentrifice Toothpaste (Do Not Use Human Toothpaste!!)**  
**CET Toothbrush or Fingerbrush**  
**Patience and Time**

1. For several days place a finger between the cheek and teeth every day in the same area. Use small circular motions as you will with brushing. Use praise and food rewards to encourage positive responses.
2. The next progression, which may take 1-14 days, is to use a wet cotton gauze or hand towel in one place in the mouth. You can use a small amount of garlic for taste.
3. Once the above has been accepted, you can begin to use a small toothbrush or fingerbrush against the teeth.
  - a. You can then gradually increase the number of teeth that can be brushed until all or nearly all the teeth can be brushed.
  - b. Brushing every 2-3 days is usually adequate for tartar control.
  - c. Use a small soft toothbrush or fingerbrush, warm water, and CET Pet Toothpaste.

**You will find brushing your pet's teeth your best investment in his or her health. Your pet will benefit with improved health and you will enjoy the pleasant kisses.**

