



# Building Better Oral Health Communities

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Activity 5: Care of dentures



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# Activity 5

## Care of dentures

### Learning Outcomes

Knowledge, appreciation and understanding of:

- removal and reinsertion of dentures (full and partial)
- denture brushing technique (full and partial)
- how to remove calculus
- oral health conditions related to dentures.

### Read

#### Read Better Oral Health in Home Care Part 1

Refer to:

- Care of dentures
- Reporting oral health changes.

### Watch

#### Watch Video

Care of dentures (5 minutes)

[www.sahealth.sa.gov.au/oralhealthforolderpeoplevideos](http://www.sahealth.sa.gov.au/oralhealthforolderpeoplevideos)

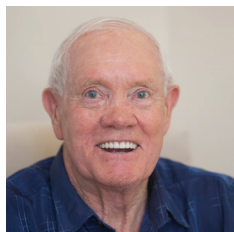


### Answer

#### Characters



**Julie**  
Care worker



**Older man**  
With full dentures



**Older woman**  
With partial dentures

1. How do you remove dentures?

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2. How do you put dentures in?

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3. How do you remove a partial denture?

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4. How do you put a partial denture in?

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5. What should be used to clean dentures?

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6. What precautions do you take to protect dentures when you are cleaning them?

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7. Why is toothpaste not recommended for cleaning dentures?

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8. Why is it recommended to remove dentures overnight and how should they be stored?

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9. What is recommended for cleaning a denture with calculus build up?

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10. What should you check before soaking a partial denture?

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11. What denture problems should be reported to the coordinator?

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