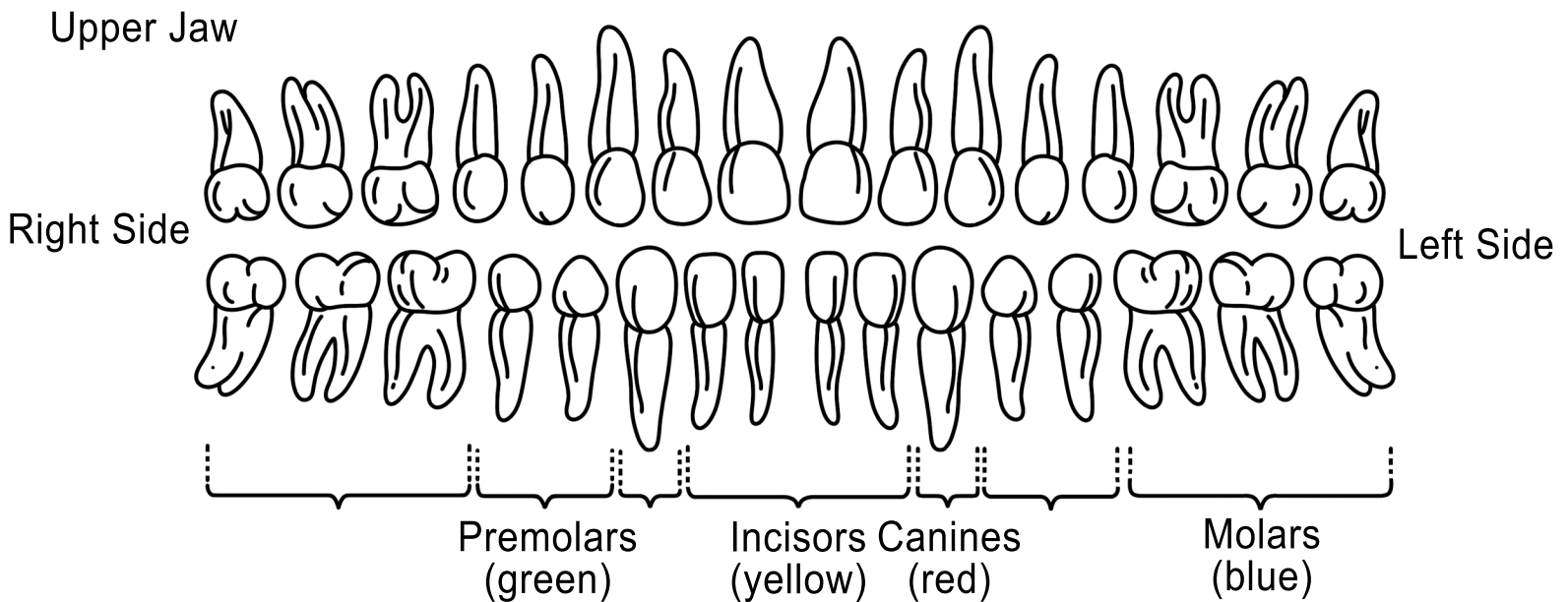


Types of Teeth

Have you noticed that your teeth have different shapes? Babies are born with no teeth at all. Then, twenty teeth grow in and fall out. Once you get your adult teeth, you have 32 of them: 8 incisors, 4 canines, 8 premolars, 8 molars, and 4 wisdom teeth.



Incisors are the eight teeth in the front and center of your mouth; four on the top row and four on the bottom, and serve to help you bite into foods.

Canines are the next four teeth in your mouth, the sharpest teeth, used for tearing apart food.

Premolars have a flat, biting surface and are used for tearing and crushing food.

Molars are the largest teeth in your mouth and found a the way in the back. Like premolars, molars have a flat surface, perfect for grinding and crushing food.

