

Description of My Toothbrush

General Description

My toothbrush is an important part of my life. My toothbrush allows me to be confident that my breath does not have a stench that will keep me from approaching people. The toothbrush is around three months old, so the bristles have not had time to soften. The plastic handle has a small amount of toothpaste in the grip. Although some people prefer the new style of toothbrush with the swiveling head, I do not. I enjoy the old style of brushing.

Main Parts

As Figure 1 shows, my toothbrush is comprised of three main parts: handle, bristles, and grip.

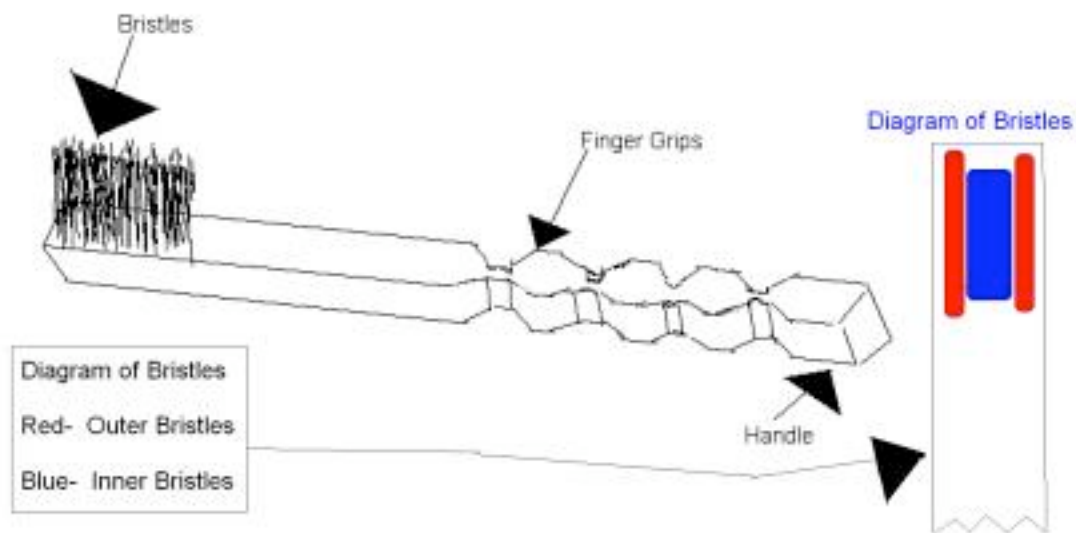


Figure 1: Side View of My Toothbrush

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Handle

The handle is a very important part of the toothbrush. The handle is shaped like a rectangle that is connected to the grip. The handle's main function is to hold on to while inserting the toothbrush into my mouth. The handle can also be used for transportation purposes. It gives me something to hold on to while transporting the toothbrush from the toothbrush holder to my mouth.

Grip

The grip is one of the most important parts of the toothbrush. The rubber grip attached to the handle is composed of eight slots, four on each side, for the fingers. The grip of the toothbrush allows for the most control possible. The grip can allow the user to maneuver his toothbrush from tooth to tooth. For many people, the grip can mean the difference between pain and pleasure. If the grip is not up-to-par, the fingers can slip, and the toothbrush can jab right into the gums.

Bristles

The bristles, attached to the end of the handle, are the most important part of the toothbrush. The bristles are comprised of hundreds of tiny plastic hairs. The bristles scrub the teeth to clean them. The bristles are divided into two different parts: the outer bristles and the inner bristles.

Outer Bristles: Represented in Figure 1 by the red, the outer bristles are used mainly for the gums. The outer bristles are slightly higher than the inner bristles. By being slightly higher, the outer bristles can scrub any part of the tooth that cannot be reached by the inner bristles.

Inner Bristles: Represented in Figure 1 by the blue, the inner bristles are located between the outer bristles. The inner bristles are slightly lower than the outer bristles. The inner bristles are used mainly for the under side of the teeth, and the sides of the teeth.

How My Toothbrush Works

- To use my toothbrush, I place my fingers into the grip and place toothpaste on the bristles. I then insert my toothbrush into my mouth and scrub it back and forth against my teeth. The bristles of the toothbrush rub against my teeth to break any food crumbs or tarter. I rub the bristles in a circular motion in order to maximize its usefulness. The outer bristles scrub my gums while my inner bristles scrub the teeth. I scrub my teeth with my toothbrush for about 2 minutes.

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