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1) Reading Comprehension

About Dental fillings

- **Composite resins**: also called tooth-coloured fillings since they can be matched to the same colour of the tooth. These fillings can consist of different types of materials that include glass particles and acrylics. Dentists can use composite fillings on any tooth. However, they may not always be recommended depending on the location of the filling. Composite fillings are more cosmetically pleasing than amalgam fillings because they match the tooth's colour.
- **Amalgams fillings**: also called silver fillings are a mixture of mercury and other metals. Dentists may use this type of filling in back teeth, or molars, because of its strength and durability. Amalgam can be placed in the front teeth, but it generally is not used in the front teeth due to a less esthetic look.
- **Gold fillings**: are made in a laboratory and then cemented into place. Also called gold inlays. are well tolerated by gum tissues, and may last more than 20 years. For these reasons, many authorities consider gold as the best filling material. However, it is often the most expensive choice and requires multiple visits.
- **Porcelain fillings**: also called inlays are produced in a lab and then bonded to the tooth. They can be matched to the colour of the tooth and resist staining. A porcelain restoration generally covers most of the tooth. Their cost is similar to gold.
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2) According to the text, write advantages and disadvantages for each type of filling material

Filling	Advantages	Disadvantages
Composite resins	(10 words) (9 words)	(13 words)
Amalgams	(3 words)	(3 words)
Porcelain	(13 words)	(6 words)
Gold	(13 words)	(11 words)

3) Answer the following questions according to the information from the text:

1. What's another way to call amalgams? _____
2. What are amalgams? _____
3. What are composite resins made of? _____
4. Where are gold fillings made? _____

4) Match the words with the definitions:

Wisdom teeth dentin tonsils root canal blood vessels

- a) _____ tissues that form part of the immune system.
- b) _____ a tube that moves blood around the body.
- c) _____ a set of narrow spaces inside the root of the tooth.
- d) _____ they grow in when you are older.
- e) _____ is the layer of the tooth underneath the enamel. It consists of living cells.

5) Write a word that is similar in meaning to the underlined part:

- a) The dentist gave the patient her/ his opinion about what to do _____

- b) The tissue keeping the teeth firmly attached to the bone is very important _____
- c) The soft, living tissue inside the tooth is sensitive because it contains nerves _____
- d) The mouth and teeth can provide information about a patient's physical condition _____