

Read the article and answer the relevant questions.

- 1 Scientists have developed a “smart tooth” that works out how much time someone spends chewing, drinking, eating, coughing, and smoking.
- 2 They say it could be used by doctors to monitor respiratory problems or to check if dieters are telling the truth about why they cannot lose weight.
- 3 Dentists might also find the device which looks like a normal tooth useful.
- 4 The “smart tooth” capitalizes on the fact that activities from chewing to tooth-grinding, all lead to the jaw moving in different ways.
- 5 A computer program can crunch the information and work out what someone is doing from what they mouth is doing.



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Knowing what you want to find out will help you decide which information is relevant. For example, if you want to know what a “smart tooth” looks like, only the highlighted text in the extract is relevant.

Question 1

Which information is relevant if you want to know how doctors could use the “smart tooth”? You will find the information in paragraph:

A fact is information that can be checked. Sometimes a fact may be included within a statement of opinion. For example, “Dentists might also find the device, which looks like a normal tooth, useful.”

Question 2

Read the article again. Decide whether each paragraph is mostly fact or opinion.

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