

# Let's Talk About Teeth

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## BRIDGE TO NOWHERE

The fixed restoration called a “dental bridge” is similar to a highway bridge in that it is supported by two abutments on either side of the gap. In between, a metal framework, known as a “pontic,” spans the gap and holds one or more artificial teeth in place. When the pontic can be supported only at one end, a so-called “cantilever bridge” may be brought into play. A typical bridge of this type, the 3-unit cantilever bridge, is made of two abutment crowns that are positioned side by side on the same side of the missing tooth space. The pontic is then connected to the two crowns, which support its extension into the area of the missing tooth. Your appearance, dental health, and the proper functioning of your

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