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Posterior Tooth

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Source

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Refers to teeth and tissues towards the back of the mouth (distal to the canines): maxillary and mandibular premolars and molars. The designation of permanent posterior teeth in the Universal tooth numbering system include teeth 1 through 5 and 12 through 16 (maxillary), and 17 through 21 and 28 through 32 (mandibular); primary teeth in the Universal tooth numbering system are designated A, B, I, and J (maxillary) and K, L, S, and T (mandibular).