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GOOD LIFE.**

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- Red, swollen gums
- Yellow tartar build-up on teeth
- Loss of appetite

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- Kidney or liver problems
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- Under-eye swelling

The earlier you start brushing your pet's teeth, the more familiar they will become with the routine.

1 Practice at the same time each day to establish a routine. Choose a quiet time or, if your pet is highly motivated by food, try just before dinner as a reward for their cooperation.

2 Gently touch their lips and put a few drops of flavored water (low-sodium broth for dogs and tuna juice for cats) in your pet's mouth.

3 Rub the teeth with broth- or tuna- flavored washcloth or a piece of gauze wrapped around the end of your finger.

4 Using a vet-approved toothbrush and paste, gently brush in small circles from gum to tip. Focus on outer teeth; brushing the tongue side is less critical.

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