

# Qualifying Examination (QE) Sample Items

The QE consists of 240 items. The items include multiple choice items, multiple choice items with image(s) and scenario-based items. Each item has a single best answer response. Below are sample items.

## Multiple Choice Item

**Which is an indication for placement of a lower lingual holding arch to maintain leeway space in the mixed dentition?**

- A. Incisor crowding less than or equal to 4mm
- B. Incisor crowding more than or equal to 4mm
- C. Midline discrepancy less than or equal to 4mm
- D. Midline discrepancy more than or equal to 4mm

## Item with Image



**Which initial conservative treatment is indicated to enhance esthetics for tooth 8?**

- A: Fluoride varnish
- B: Ozone therapy
- C: Porcelain veneer
- D: Resin infiltration

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## Scenario Based Item

**PATIENT:** 14-year-old

**CHIEF COMPLAINT:** "I'm here for my check-up."

**BACKGROUND/HISTORY:** • Has not been to the dentist in over a year

- Brushes once daily and rarely flosses
- On high school basketball team
- High socioeconomic status
- Parent smokes at home

**CURRENT FINDINGS:** Poor oral hygiene

**Which factor contributes most to this patient beginning to use tobacco?**

- A: High socioeconomic status
- B: Oral hygiene status
- C: Involvement in team sports
- D: Tobacco use of parent

**PATIENT:** 6-year-old

**CHIEF COMPLAINT:** "He had some type of reaction to his treatment from yesterday afternoon."- Parent

**BACKGROUND/HISTORY:** Tooth #K restored yesterday

**CURRENT FINDINGS:** Patient presents with lesion as shown



**Which would be the most appropriate treatment for the pictured lesion?**

- A: Incision and drainage
- B: Palliative treatment
- C: Systemic antibiotic
- D: Wound debridement