

Boyd: Dental Instruments, 4th Edition

Chapter 01: Basic Dental Instruments

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MULTIPLE CHOICE

1. The purpose of the mouth mirror is
 - a. to provide indirect vision.
 - b. to reflect light into the mouth.
 - c. to retract the lips, cheeks, and tongue.
 - d. A and C
 - e. All of the above

ANS: E

2. The main purpose of the explorer is
 - a. to retract the lips, cheeks, and tongue.
 - b. to transfer material from the oral cavity.
 - c. to examine teeth for decay, calculus, furcations, or other abnormalities.
 - d. All of the above

ANS: C

3. The main function of this instrument is to grasp and/or transfer material into and out of the oral cavity.
 - a. Periodontal probe
 - b. Mouth mirror
 - c. Curette
 - d. Cotton forceps (pliers)

ANS: D

4. Which of the following instruments is part of a basic setup for most dental procedures?
 - a. Curette
 - b. Periodontal probe
 - c. Cotton forceps (pliers)
 - d. Spoon excavator

ANS: C

5. In a mouth mirror, which type of mirror reflects the best image?
 - a. Flat surface mirror
 - b. Front surface mirror

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- c. Concave mirror
- d. All of the above

ANS: B

- 6. How is alternating instrument handles beneficial to the dental professional using it?
 - a. It helps in lightening the grasp of an instrument.
 - b. It maximizes control of the instrument.
 - c. It lessens the stress associated with carpal tunnel syndrome.
 - d. It minimizes fatigue when using the instrument.

ANS: C