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- Practice lifting their lip to see their teeth and reward with praise.

Step 2: Try toothpaste.

- You can wrap your index finger in gauze or use a finger toothbrush.
- After your dog is comfortable, lift his lip and gently rub the pet toothpaste over his teeth and gums.

Step 3: Toothbrush time.

- Introduce the toothbrush provided by your veterinarian.
- If desired, place a small amount of pet toothpaste on the brush and gently start brushing.

Step 4: Brushing success.

- Brush teeth and gums gently and finish with the bottom front teeth.
- Focus on the outside of the teeth —
 the surface facing the cheek is most
 prone to plaque and tartar buildup.
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