

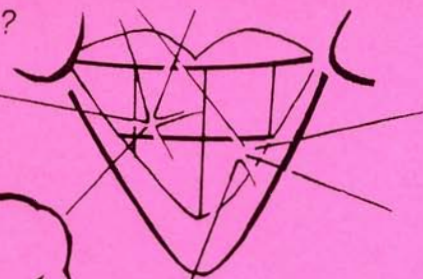
LET'S COOPERATE!

How would you like to get your braces off as soon as possible? Together you and I can make this happen, and quickly, too.

I'll do my job if you'll do yours —



LET'S MAKE A DEAL!



LET'S NOT HAVE YOU TELL US:

BUT:

"I just ran out of elastics!"

Call for more elastics before you run out.

or

"I took them off on the way here"

Wear your elastics continuously.

"My night brace didn't fit so I couldn't wear it."

Phone immediately for an emergency appointment.

"My elastics don't stay on"

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"I'm sorry I'm late"

Be on time—we usually are.

"I had Little League practice and forgot last week's appointment"

Remember your appointments—write them down and keep them, please.

"I have to change today's appointment"

Keep these appointments. If you must change, give us more than 48 hours notice.

"I didn't know the band came loose"

Learn to look for and feel sudden changes in your appliances.

"The archwire just broke yesterday"

Call immediately for an emergency appointment.

AVOID

Fritos, Doritos or any chip snacks

Hard french fried potatoes

Gum, taffy

Hard toast

Hard rolls

Biting into apples and raw carrots (Slice them)

Pizza crust

Peanut brittle

(Hard or soft) pretzels

Candied apples (on a stick)

Sticky, chewy, and hard foods

Biting into hard ice cream pops, popsicles, etc.

Chewing on ice

Caramels

Licorice

Any chewy candy

MY JOB

To be a good engineer, an encouraging coach, and an understanding doctor who tries to make treatment as comfortable for you as possible.

YOUR JOB

- To keep all appointments with us.
- To avoid eating the sticky, chewy, and hard foods. This will prevent loose bands, brackets, and broken archwires. But should this occur, phone immediately for an emergency appointment.
- To follow all of our instructions, too. This could be wearing your night brace the required hours each day and night and always wear all your elastics exactly how we showed you.
- To brush and floss your teeth and gums. Teeth move quicker in healthy bone and if they do, braces come off sooner!

Your neglecting any of these will necessitate additional charges or our discontinuing treatment.



LET'S BE HONEST WITH EACH OTHER

Just like you can tell if we're sincere, we can tell if you are, too. And if you're sincerely cooperative, we'll show our appreciation in so many ways! We'd much rather tell your family how great you are rather than tell 'em your faults!



SO LET'S WORK TOGETHER AND GET THIS JOB DONE.

Remember orthodontic treatment is not being done **for** you or **to** you, but is being done **with** you. We're just as anxious to get the "tinsel" off your teeth as you, but we can't do this until your teeth are ready.

Your sincere effort to cooperate will encourage us to continue treatment and make the time, cost, and effort involved so much more worthwhile

THE CHOICE IS YOURS