#### PERSONAL HYGIENE

#### **MEANING**

- Hygiene is defined as a set of practices performed for the preservation of health.
- Personal hygiene may be described as the principle of maintaining cleanliness and grooming of the external body.
- Personal hygiene refers to the comprehensive cleaning of and caring for your body.
- Maintaining good personal hygiene includes bathing, washing your hands, brushing your teeth and wearing clean clothing.

- People have been aware of the importance of hygiene for thousands of years.
- The ancient Greeks spent many hours Bathing, using fragrances and make up in an effort to beautify themselves and be presentable to others.
- Personal hygiene is about keeping your body clean and healthy.
- Good personal hygiene can make you less likely to become sick.
- It also helps you look and feel your best.

#### Importance of personal hygiene

- Body Image
  - Body image influences self-esteem, confidence and motivation.
- Social Reasons
  - By ensuring that our body is clean and well presented, we are more assured of projecting a positive body image that reflects our personalities.
- Health Reasons
  - Poor hygiene can lead to poor health.
- Psychological Issues
  - By being well presented, clean and tidy, people can feel more confident

#### HYGIENE MAINTENANCE

### Washing the body helps keep it free of disease-causing germs

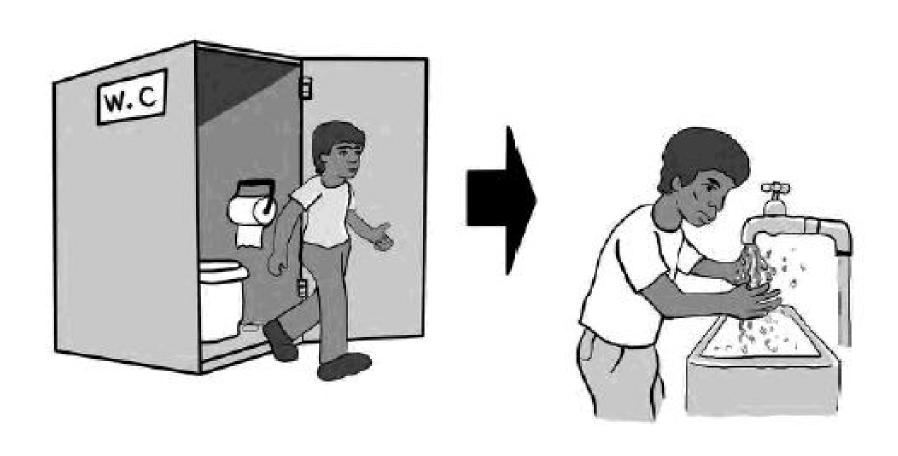


### Cleaning teeth helps keep gums and teeth healthy.

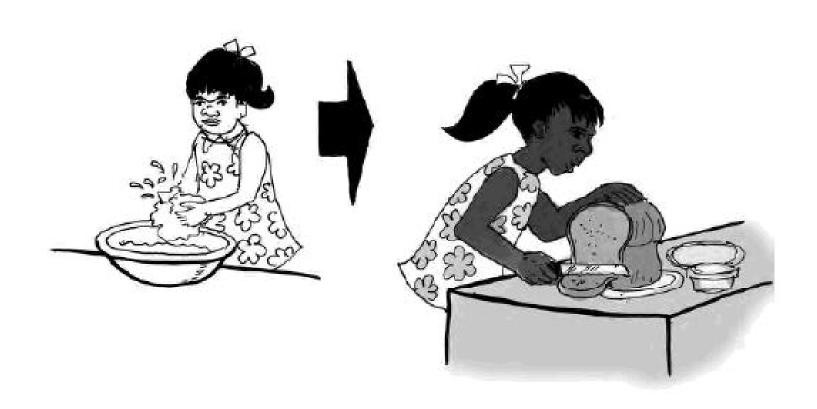


- Brush your teeth after each meal. Use a soft brush and fluoride toothpaste. Brush the front, back, and top of each tooth.
- Floss at least once a day. Use about 18 inches of dental floss each time. Floss between all teeth.
- See your dentist every 6 months (or as often as you're told) for a dental checkup.

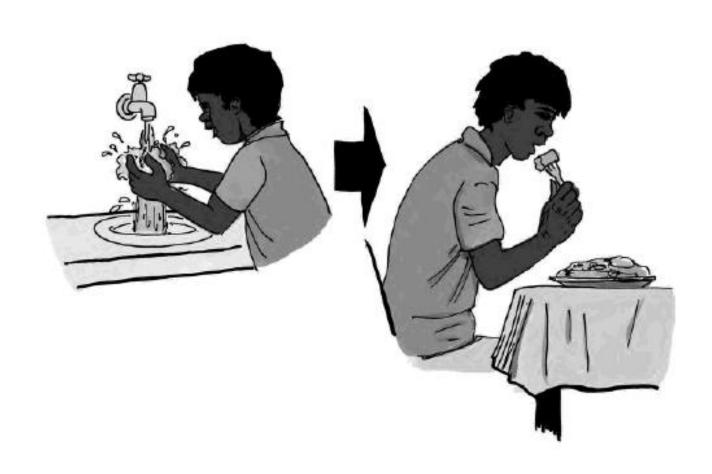
# Washing hands after going to the toilet helps stop the spread of germs.

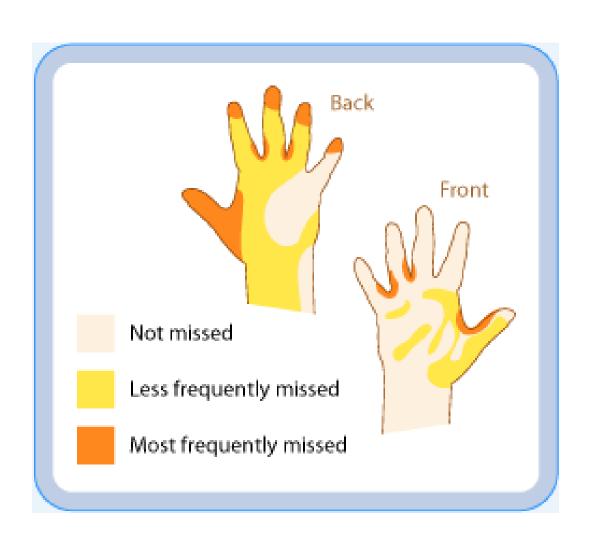


# Washing hands before preparing food helps keep germs out of our bodies.



# Washing hands before eating food helps stop germs getting into our bodies

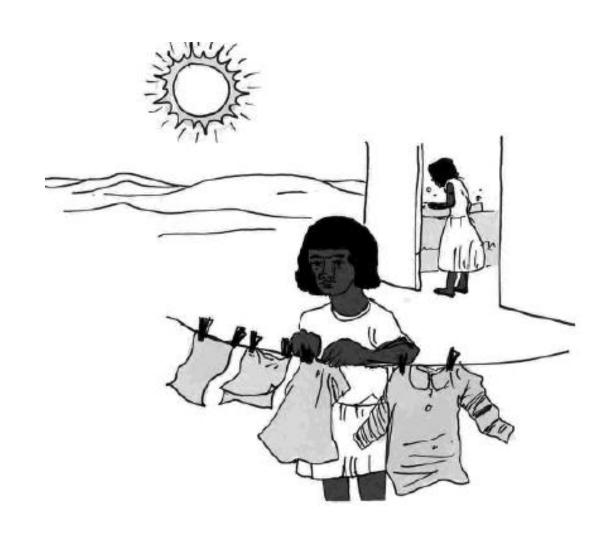




# Washing clothes helps keep them free of disease-causing germs.



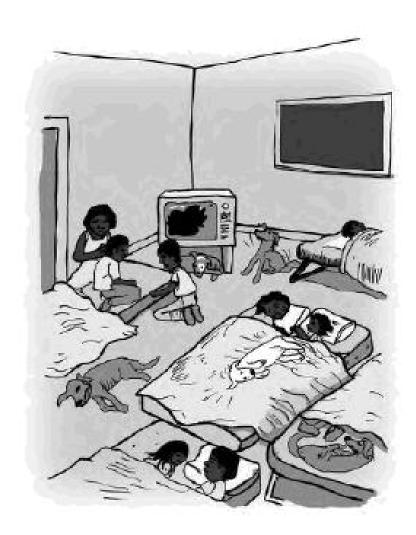
### Hanging clothes in the sun helps to kill some disease-causing germs and parasites.



### Covering the nose and mouth when sneezing helps stop the spread of germs.



## Overcrowding helps spread germs and parasites such as scabies.



#### Other hygiene maintenance

- Hair hygiene
- Skin hygiene
- Oral hygiene
- Hand hygiene
- Feet hygiene
- Nail hygiene

### Some of the effects of bad personal maintenance are

- Head Lice
- Dandruff
- Bad Breath
- Ear Wax
- Body Odour
- Urinary Infection