Fascinating facts about animal teeth

Not all animals have the same teeth. In fact, there can be big differences from one to another!

Chickens like me don't have

teeth — I actually chew food inside my own stomach! Here's how it works: I gobble food down without chewing, and then an extra part in my stomach called a "gizzard" helps break the food down. Sometimes I even eat rocks and gravel to help break up

food faster.

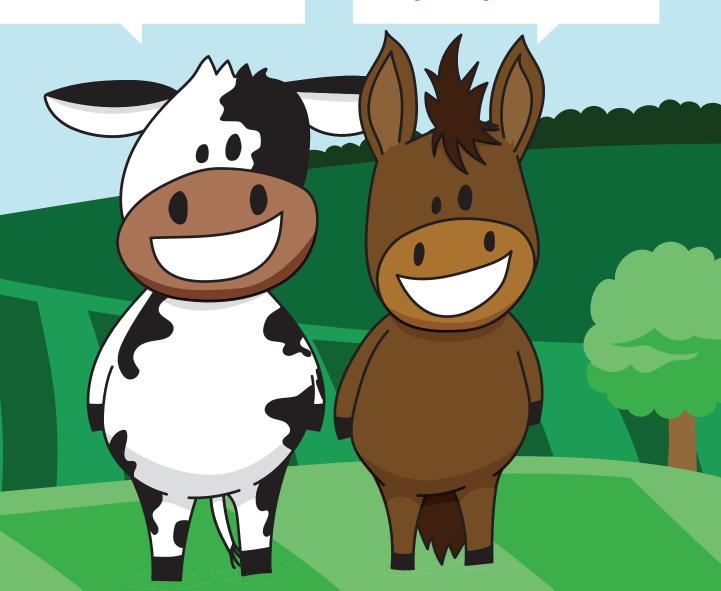
Hi, I'm Marley! I was born with sharp baby teeth known as "needle teeth." My adult teeth won't be as sharp, but

they will be much stronger. Either way, don't get between me and my

next meal!

I'm Daisy! My fellow cows and I are known for our sideways chewing motion — you might even be able to imagine it. But there's a reason we chew that way. It's because we don't have any top front teeth! Instead, we rub grasses and plants against a hard layer of flesh called a "dental pad" to break down food.

My name is Elmer. I have baby teeth and adult teeth, just like you! But there's one big difference — because I'm a horse, my adult teeth never stop growing! But they do get worn down when I eat, so my teeth won't grow too big.



Human teeth are neat, too.

Your teeth are sharp in front to bite and tear foods, with wider teeth in the back that help you chew.