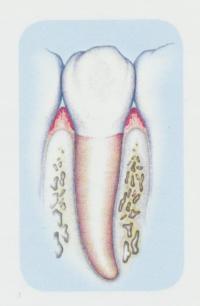
## Stages of gum disease:

## **Healthy teeth and gums**

The gums are a healthy pink colour and are set firmly around the teeth. There is no evidence of swelling or bleeding.



## Gingivitis / swelling of the gums

Plaque bacteria have settled on the teeth and around the gums – causing redness, swelling and bleeding on brushing. Little gaps are starting to appear next to the teeth.



## **Periodontitis**

The gums are red, swollen and bleed on brushing and flossing. There are now measurable pockets between the gums and teeth.

