



Both the giant panda and the Asian black bear have similar **incisors** (biting teeth) and **canines** (killing teeth) but look closely at the **molars** (back teeth).



Which skull has **chewing** back teeth? [large flat teeth to help grind & chew]

Which skull has **slicing** back teeth? [sharp teeth that slice past each other]

Which type of back teeth do you think the **giant panda** needs?

Which type of back teeth do you think the **Asian black bear** needs?

Which skull belongs to the **giant panda**?

chǐ
齿
tooth

mén chǐ
门齿
incisor

quǎn chǐ
犬齿
canine

What does this sentence mean?

dà xióng māo yǒu quǎn chǐ

mén chǐ hé jiù chǐ

大熊猫有犬齿、门齿和白齿。

Clues:

You should remember 大熊猫

有 means have

和 means and

jiù chǐ
臼齿
molar

Notes:

- The Mandarin word for human teeth is usually 牙齿 yá chǐ. Incisor tooth 切牙 qiē yá; canine tooth 尖牙 jiān yá; molar tooth 磨牙 mó yá.
- The Asian black bear is also known as the moon bear.

