

## Flannel Story # 1

Tommy, Tommy, TOMMY TOOTH!  
Its' time to brush!  
Where are you, Tommy Tooth!  
*(look around, then place tooth with food stuck on it)*

Here's Tommy Tooth!  
Oh! Tommy , you look terrible!  
*(ask children: What does Tommy need???)*  
Tommy needs a toothbrush.

*(Bring out toothbrush and ask ☺)*  
What do we put on the toothbrush?

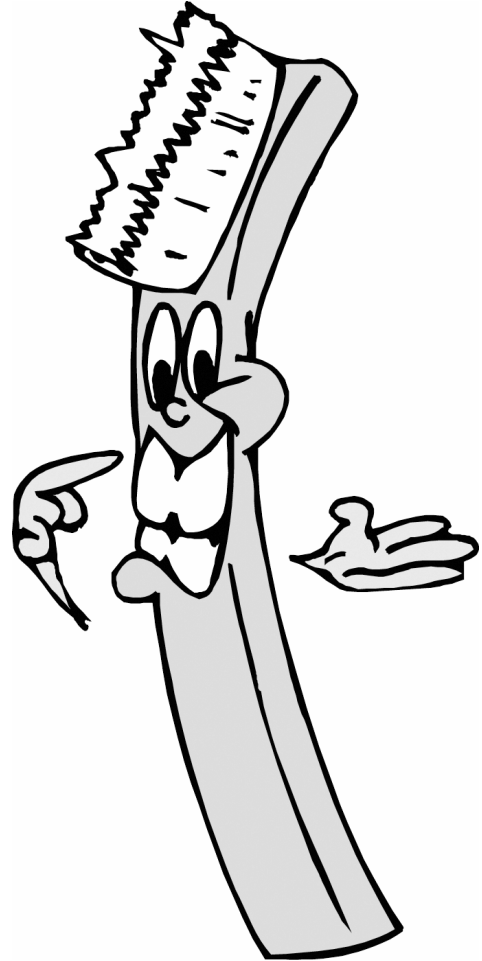
Yes, we put a touch of toothpaste.  
*(point to toothpaste)*

Let's tickle Tommy tooth with his toothbrush!  
*(wiggle toothbrush in circles around on tooth moving food off as you brush)*

Tickle in the front  
Tickle in the back  
Tickle on the sides and  
Tickle on the TOP!

Pretend you are Tommy's teeth – while I tickle you!  
*(Tickle children while they all wiggle around)*

Tommy Tooth you look Terrific!  
*(place star on tooth)*  
Yeah! *(encourage class to clap)*



## Flannel Story #2

Tommy, Tommy, TOMMY TOOTH!  
It's time for bed!  
It's time to brush!  
Where are you, Tommy Tooth!  
*(look around, then place tooth with food stuck on it)*

Tommy, you had a good day and now its bedtime. *(Big yawn...)*  
Time to brush!  
Look what Tommy chewed today!  
I see he had a cracker. What else do you think he chewed today?  
*(ask for children's food ideas)*

Wow! If he chewed all that, he must be REALLY dirty!  
What should we do for Tommy?

Time to brush, Tommy!  
Here is Tommy's toothbrush *(bring out toothbrush).*  
with a little toothpaste on top *(point to toothpaste).*

Let's tickle Tommy Tooth with his  
toothbrush!  
*(wiggle toothbrush in circles around on  
tooth)*

Tickle in the front  
Tickle in the back  
Tickle on the sides and  
Tickle on the TOP!

Tommy Tooth is tired tonight.....  
Tooth brushing is all done.....  
Time to go to bed.  
Shhhhhh.  
Sleep tight, Tommy Tooth...



## **Puppet Play #1 It's my job!**

*Puppet Characters:* Strepto and Toothbrush

Strepto is a tough germ that causes cavities—give him a big, tough voice!

*Props:* Teeth (can be mouth model, picture drawn on white paper, tooth from flannel story, white paper or Styrofoam cup placed upside down, part of a white egg carton)

Germ puppet can be made out of anything (because we get to imagine what they look like!)

An old toilet paper roll (or paper towel roll!) might make a good toothbrush...or just use a real one.

TB: Strepto, WHAT are you doing??

S: I'm sticking onto these teeth.

TB: Why are you doing that?

S: It's my job!

I'm a bad germ. I try to make teeth soft and weak..

TB: I have a more important job than you!

S: Oh, yeah? What's your job?

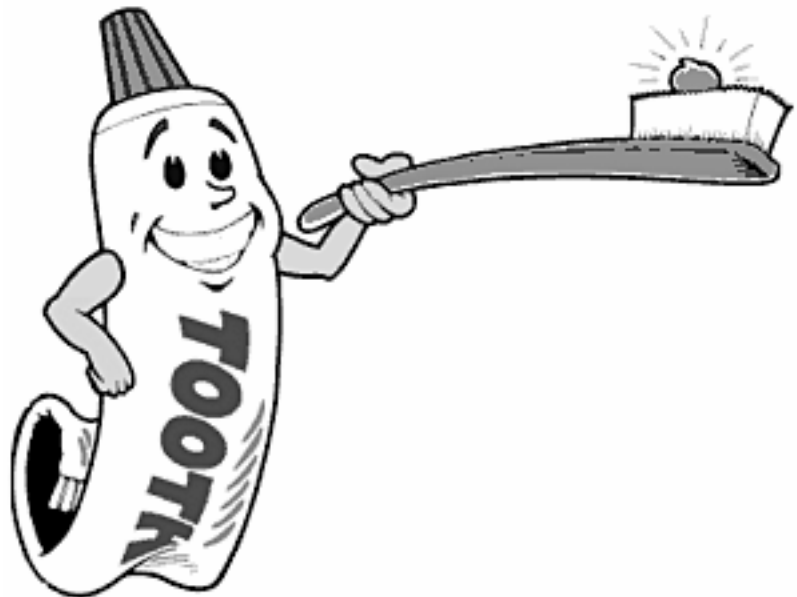
TB: I don't want you to hurt teeth! My job is to brush you away!

I brush every day. And I'm going to brush you right now!

(Brush away the germ!)

TB: Good bye, bad germ!

S: Good bye, tooth  
brush....



## **Puppet Play #2 Who is Hiding?**

Props: Mouth full of teeth (can be mouth model, picture drawn on white paper, tooth from flannel story, white paper or Styrofoam cup placed upside down, part of a white egg carton)

Toothbrush-- An old toilet paper roll (or paper towel roll!) might make a good toothbrush. Or use a real one.

Lactobacilli Germ-- Germ puppet can be made out of anything (because we get to imagine what they look like!) We call this germ "Silly" for short. Use a silly voice for him. He is hiding until we find him! (say Lactobacille: lack-toe-ba-silly)

*(Talking to class)*

Teacher: I just ate breakfast. Time to brush my teeth!  
Round and round I go---wobble, wobble, wobble, jiggle, jiggle, jiggle with  
my toothbrush  
Cleaning the teeth...

*(Use tooth brush puppet or real tooth brush)*

Teacher: Hey—did you hear that???

Listen....I hear someone laughing.....  
There is someone hiding way in the back of my mouth.

Teacher: Who are you???

*(Germ puppet peeks up)*

Germ: My name is Silly. Hee, hee , hee!  
I'm a silly, sticky germ and I am hiding back here! You can't see me!  
If I stay here I will make your teeth weak.

Teacher: I'm going to brush you away! I am not done brushing until ALL the germs are brushed away!

*(Continue to brush)*

Teacher: Brush, brush, brush! Good by silly old germ!

Germ: Goodbye.....

*(Move germ puppet away)*

