

# Ask The Dentists

**Dear Dr. Winter I need a second opinion. I have had dentures for 15 months and I still can not speak properly. Ninety percent of the time people ask me to repeat what I just said and it is quite embarrassing. What should I do?**

Well, first of all I am sorry you are having problems. Getting acclimated to dentures is never an easy process. That being said, problems with diction and pronunciation are often due to improper tooth placement. We would do an analysis of your speech and evaluate your tooth positions to see if there is room for improvement. Next, it would always be prudent to discuss how to upgrade away from dentures. In our practice we consider dentures a temporary prosthesis until an implant solution can be reached. That may involve mini-implants initially if finances are limited or can include implants with teeth that stay in 24/7. After performing a comprehensive examination and x-ray visit we can discuss all of your concerns. We look forward to meeting you!

**Dear Dr. Winter, I got dentures in November. My extractions were a year ago. I got what I thought were great dentures, but I don't like the work and gel to keep them in place and they are not sturdy. I watched the video on your website where you put 6 implants in, I would like that. And also I want a palate-less top denture. When can you see me?**

Dear Christina, the use of a palate-less denture is wonderful treatment but it requires a minimum of 6 implants. Mini-implants are the last treatment



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choice as they give minimal retention compared to traditional wider body implants but are much more retentive than an upper denture alone. Whether you are a candidate or not will require x-rays and a comprehensive exam and perhaps a CAT scan. We would be happy to see you for a new patient comprehensive examination and x-ray visit.

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