**Pizza Crust** The hard crust can bend the wires.

Ice...NEVER It will damage your braces.

**Corn on the Cob** Slice corn off the cob. Hard Pretzels Bends wires, loosens bands and loosens brackets.

Apples Slice into bite size pieces.

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Hard Rolls, Bagels Bends the wires and loosens the brackets. Doritos, Tacos, Tostitos, Cheetos, Fritos and the like Will form a hard ball and break your braces.

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Beef Jerky, Slim Jims Tough as nails.



Lollipops and Hard Candy You may weaken your braces when you bite into them.

## Popcorn 9

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The little kernals get between the gum and the band. This can be very painful. Nuts No nuts of any kind! Raw Carrots Too hard. Slice them very thinly or avoid them.

**Pens and Pencils** Favorite exam food; damages wires and brackets. Caramel Candy, Bubble Gum, Taffy Is sticky and will pull off wires and feed the bacteria in your mouth.



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