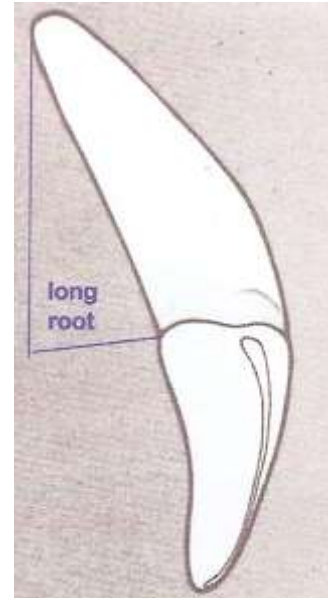
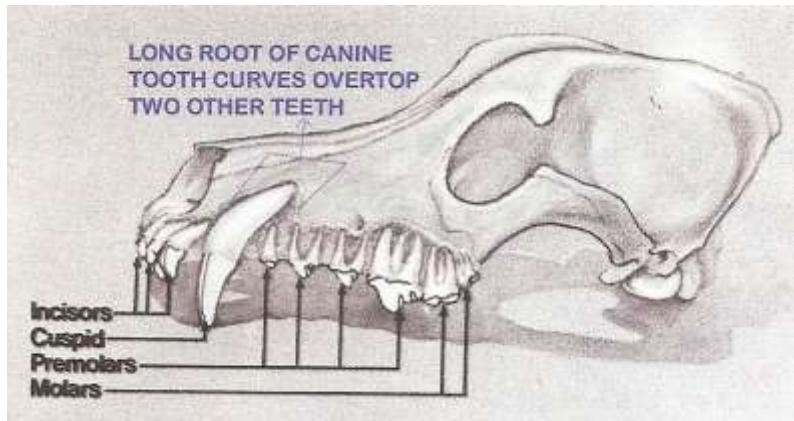


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## CANINE TOOTH EXTRACTION



The canine tooth has the longest root of all the teeth in the mouth of a pet. The root is longer than the crown and curves backward over top of two teeth behind it. As such, removal of this tooth cannot usually be done by just pulling downward. To remove the tooth requires much effort in the form of a surgical extraction due to the body's strong hold on this tooth (very long root, curved root overtop of other teeth).

**Surgical Extraction:** The gum tissue (gingiva) is cut over the tooth and reflected off the bone. The bone around the root is removed using a high-speed drill. The tooth and entire root structure is removed, and the gums are stitched back in place.

Surgical extraction requires general anesthesia. A combination of pain control methods including a local anesthetic block, injectable pain medications, and sometimes oral pain relievers will be used to assure that your pet experiences as little pain and discomfort as possible.

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