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This Valentine's Day - lock lips, not braces

Currently more than four million children and one million adults in North America wear braces. A common question asked of orthodontists is:

If two people with braces kiss, can their braces become locked together?

With today's smaller sleeker braces it is extremely difficult - almost impossible - to lock braces while kissing. Also, braces are not magnetic, which means any "attraction" felt is on the part of the wearers, so pucker up!

The American Association of Orthodontists (AAO) sets the record straight on some of the biggest myths surrounding braces and orthodontic treatment.

Will my braces set off the metal detectors in the airport?

You are cleared for takeoff - the lightweight materials used in braces will not affect metal detectors.

Can braces rust?

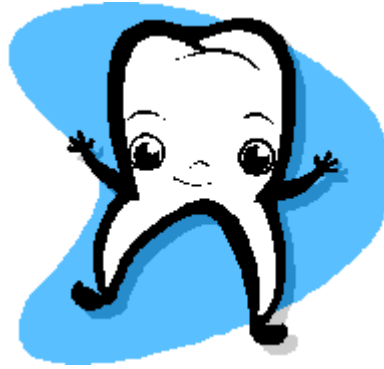
No. Today's braces are made of new stronger materials, like titanium alloy, and will not rust.

Will my braces interfere with radio signals or electronic devices?

No. Radio-loving gadget fanatics can rest easy.



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Happy Valentine's Day!

Decorate the card for your special Valentine!

