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**Q: I have had my upper denture repaired several times over the past year and a half. Another tooth has fallen out and it is 10 years old. Should I repair or get a new one?**

**A:** This can be a difficult decision to make. Certainly the cost of a new denture is higher

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than the cost of repair, but multiple repair costs do add up. I would be concerned about what is causing the need for the repairs in the first place.

Stress cracks down the center of the denture usually are due to improper fit in the roof of the mouth. Teeth breaking or coming out may be due to a shifting fit relationship or repeated biting stress over time.

The age of a denture is a factor in considering replacement, and also how well it fits and

works. Some people need their denture replaced every 5-7 years due to fit and chewing changes while others can go longer.

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