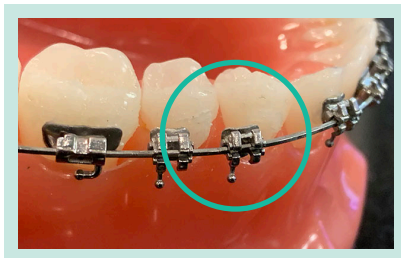
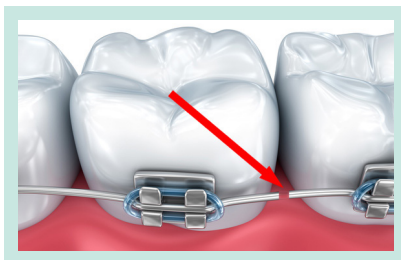


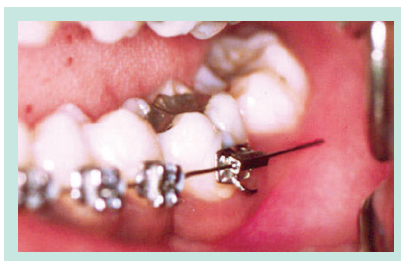
# TYPES OF COMFORT APPOINTMENTS



**LOOSE BRACKETS:** A loose bracket can happen from biting into something hard or sticky, or from picking at your braces. You will know your bracket is loose if it is sliding back and forth on the wire or it falls off completely.



**BROKEN WIRE:** This can also happen from biting into something hard or sticky. You will know if your wire is broken from it being split or sticking out between brackets.



**PROTRUDING WIRE:** Occasionally the end of a wire will work itself out of place and irritate your mouth. If the wire can not be moved into a comfortable position, cover it with wax.



**IRRITATION ON LIPS AND CHEEKS:** Sometimes new braces can be irritating to the mouth, especially when the patient is eating. A small amount of wax can be used to temporarily make you comfortable. Dry off your brace and press a small piece of wax onto the brace causing the irritation.

Call our office and discuss the problem with our office staff. Some types of comforts can be handled at home or can wait until your next appointment. We will let you know if you need immediate attention or if the problem can wait.