

The “Orthodontic Text”

The purpose of the “Orthodontic Text” and workbook is to orient you to our orthodontic practice by helping you become aware of how orthodontic patients are treated. The “Orthodontic Text” must be studied with your workbook in order to get the most out of it and to get the most out of your entire training program. This text is divided into 3 chapters:

- Chapter-1: What dentistry and orthodontic treatment is all about
- Chapter-2: The sources of orthodontic patients and the orthodontic exam
- Chapter-3: What “Full Orthodontic Treatment” consists of

After reading over **Chapter-1**, you should have a fairly good understanding of what dentistry and orthodontics is all about, and what terms and phrases to use to refer to dental treatment.

By the time you finish studying **Chapter-2**, you should have a good appreciation for what the doctor and communications staff must do to get the patient up to the point of the initial banding.

By the time you have finished studying **Chapter-3**, you will also have a good understanding of what the clinical staff has to do to assist the doctor in his treatment of the patient, for passive or active orthodontic treatment, and all its variations.

No matter what position you work in, in this practice, you must fully understand orthodontic treatment from all points of view within the practice. By understanding all this, you will better understand your position and how you interact with all the other staff in the practice, so that you can do your work the best you can and interact effectively with these people, so that they can get their work done in their positions.