

tonsil (*ton-sil*)

Definition

n. either of two masses of lymphoid tissue located at the sides of the throat, playing a role in the immune system by helping to filter out bacteria and viruses.

Example Sentence

Matthew has a swollen **tonsil**.

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After his tonsils were removed, he felt much better and no longer got sick as often.

Synonyms

lymphoid tissue; adenoid; palatine tonsil

Antonyms

teeth

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