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# **Protocols in Panoramic Radiographic Interpretation**

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1. The anterior teeth appear too narrow on a panoramic radiograph. What is the reason for this error?

- The patient is biting too far forward on the bite block. (Most of the bite block is inside the mouth)
- The patient is biting too far back on the bite block. (Patient is holding the bite block with the lips only)

2. The molars on the left side are wider than the right. What is the reason for this error?

- The left side of the jaw is away from the film.
- The left side of the jaw is closer to the film.

3. A parotid sialolith is present superimposed over the posterior border of the left ramus. If this sialolith generates a ghost image, where do you expect to find the ghost image?

- Superimposed over the left orbit
- Superimposed over the left nasal cavity area
- Superimposed over the right angle of the mandible
- Superimposed over the right orbit

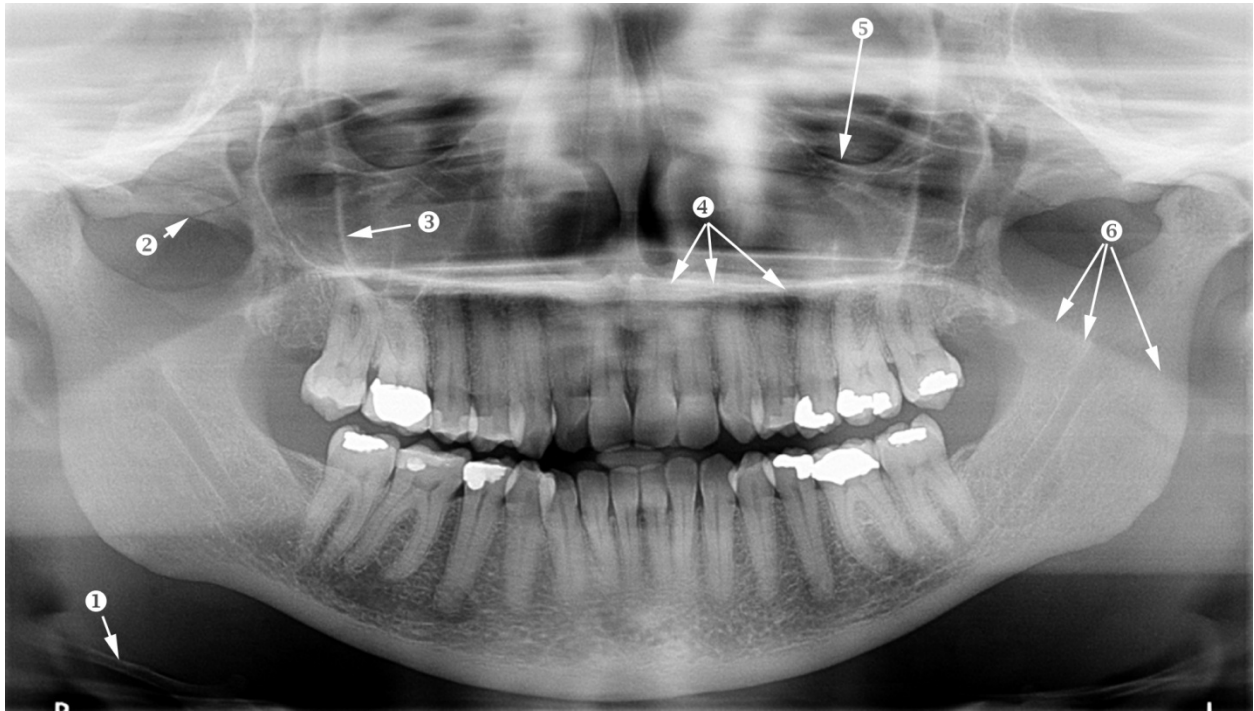
4. A patient's head and chin was rotated too far down during a panoramic exposure. List three errors that might be present on this radiograph.

- 1 \_\_\_\_\_
- 2 \_\_\_\_\_
- 3 \_\_\_\_\_

5. If a patient does not hold the tongue to the roof of the mouth, what discrepancy can be observed on a panoramic radiograph?

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6. Identify the following six radiographic landmarks.



- 1 \_\_\_\_\_
- 2 \_\_\_\_\_
- 3 \_\_\_\_\_
- 4 \_\_\_\_\_
- 5 \_\_\_\_\_
- 6 \_\_\_\_\_

7. List three features of ghost images formed on a panoramic radiograph.

- 1 \_\_\_\_\_
- 2 \_\_\_\_\_
- 3 \_\_\_\_\_