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gom·pho·sis  (gŏm-fō sĭs)

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n. pl. **gom·pho·ses** (-sēz)

A type of immovable articulation, as of a tooth inserted into its bony socket.

[Greek *gomphōsis*, from *gomphoun*, to fasten with bolts, from *gomphos*, bolt; see **gembh-** [in the Appendix of Indo-European roots](#).]

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