

3624 - Does Sucking Your Thumb Break Your Fast?

the question

I have an awkward problem, that is I still suck my thumb since I was a child! It can be quite extreme when I am not feeling too well. I am in doubt if this is Haram at all, and does it nullify my fast? I heard a friend say anything that enters the body nullifies the fast. Please answer my question a.s.a.p. because Ramadan is beginning soon and it is extremely embarrassing for me to talk to anyone about it, not even my husband!

Summary of answer

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Detailed answer

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The Prophet (peace and blessings of Allah be upon him) said: "Allah has forgiven my ummah for what they do by mistake or out of forgetfulness, and what they are forced to do."

For more, please see these answers: [1312](#) , [13619](#) , [12487](#) , and [82308](#) .

And Allah knows best.