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# Preterm Baby Feeding Cues

## Feeding readiness cues



**Rooting/ turning head/ seeking**



**Mouth opening**



**Awake and quietly alert**



**Hand to mouth/ sucking hands**



**Increasing physical movement**



**Crying (late cue; calm then feed)**

## Stop Cues



**Suddenly tired or stopping sucking**



**'High five' or hand splaying**



**Change in colour, breathing or oxygen levels**