

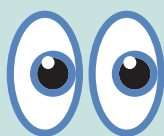
Talking to your preterm baby

32-35 weeks



Babies will show you when they are ready to “talk” to you.

By 32 to 35 weeks your baby is becoming more ready to interact with you. They will be starting to seek social interaction and will want to “listen” to you and will be able to respond.



Babies open their eyes more frequently, but cannot necessarily make eye contact with you. If your baby is awake and quiet, sit close to the incubator so that they can focus on your face.

Your baby will like SLOW GENTLE HANDLING with good physical support.



Hold out your finger for your baby to hold.

Continue with regular skin to skin care to feel close to your baby.



Provide stimulation using mostly your voice by singing or talking softly while your baby is placed in the skin to skin position or through the open porthole of the incubator.

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