

# Oromotor Exercises (Lips)

# Lip Exercises

#### **Jaw Stretching**

- 1. Open you mouth as wide as you can.
- 2. Feel the stretch on the side of your lips and jaw.
- 3. Hold this for \_\_\_\_\_ seconds.
- 4. Do this \_\_\_\_ times.

#### **Lip Closure**

- 1. Press your lips firmly together.
- 2. Feel the pressure on your lips.
- 3. Hold this for \_\_\_\_\_ seconds.
- 4. Do this \_\_\_\_\_ times.

#### **Lip Retraction**

- 1. Stretch your lips into a wide smile.
- 2. Feel the stretch at the side of your lips.
- 3. Hold this for \_\_\_\_\_ seconds.
- 4. Do this \_\_\_\_\_ times.

### Lip Protrusion

- 1. Round your lips like you are blowing a candle.
- 2. Feel the stretch around your lips.
- 3. Hold this for \_\_\_\_\_ seconds.
- 4. Do this \_\_\_\_ times.





#### Lip Lateralisation (Left)

- 1. Slant your mouth/stretch your lips to the left as far as you can.
- 2. Feel the pressure on the right side of your lips.
- 3. Hold this for \_\_\_\_\_ seconds.
- 4. Do this \_\_\_\_ times.



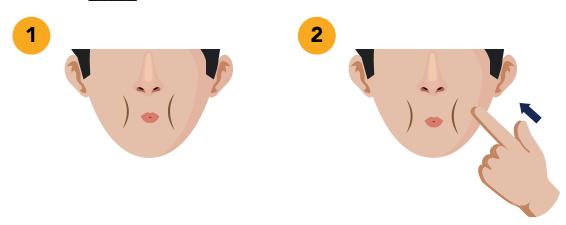
#### Lip Lateralisation (Right)

- 1. Slant your mouth/stretch your lips to the right as far as you can.
- 2. Feel the pressure on the left side of your lips.
- 3. Hold this for \_\_\_\_\_ seconds.
- 4. Do this \_\_\_\_ times.



### **Cheek Puffing**

- 1. Puff up you cheeks with air. Remember to close your lips tightly as you do this.
- 2. Push your cheeks with your hands to ensure air does not escape from your lips.
- 3. Hold this for \_\_\_\_\_ seconds.
- 4. Do this \_\_\_\_\_ times.



#### Lip Closure with Tongue Depressor

- 1. Place a tongue depressor in between your lips horizontally and keep it in position.
- 2. Do not bite down on the tongue depressor with your teeth or jaw.
- 3. Hold this with your lips for \_\_\_\_\_ seconds.
- 4. Do this \_\_\_\_\_ times.

# **Lip Closure with Tongue Depressor (Left / Right)**

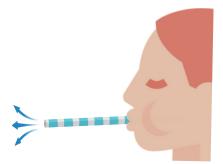
- 1. Place a tongue depressor in between the corner of your left/right lips and keep it in position.
- 2. Do not bite down on the tongue depressor with your teeth or jaw.
- 3. Hold this with your lips for \_\_\_\_\_ seconds.
- 4. Do this \_\_\_\_\_ times.

### **Blowing Through a Straw**

- 1. Put a straw into the centre of your mouth.
- 2. Try to keep it at a horizontal or slightly tilted up position.
- 3. Blow out through the straw.
- 4. Repeat this with the straw positioned on the weaker side of your mouth.
- 5. Hold this for \_\_\_\_\_ seconds.
- 6. Do this \_\_\_\_ times.







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