Babies Cry
BE PREPARED

IT IS NORMAL TO NEED SUPPORT
Two people to call when I am feeling overwhelmed or need help:
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If you are concerned about your baby’s crying or think someone has hurt your baby, call your clinic:
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CRYING IS NORMAL
Babies may cry:
• Daily for up to 6 hours
• More each day up to 3 months of age
• More in the afternoon and evening
• No matter what you try

HELPING YOUR BABY
• See if your baby is hungry or needs a diaper change
• Calmly hold your baby close
• Rock, walk, or talk with your baby
• Gently rub your baby’s tummy or head
• Listen to music, running water, or some other white noise

STAYING CALM
• It is normal to feel worried, frustrated, or angry
• Remind yourself that you are a good caregiver
• Take deep breaths
• Place your baby in a safe place and walk away for a few minutes, checking on your baby regularly

Make sure everyone who cares for your baby has this information.

WHEN TO WORRY
Call 911 or go to the emergency room right away if your baby shows any of these signs:
• Difficulty breathing or turning blue
• Convulsions or seizures
• Change in level of awareness
• Bruising on the skin or whites of eyes
• Bleeding from the mouth

Bruising on babies is never normal.

Never shake your baby
Never put your hands on your baby if you are angry
Never give your baby any medicine or natural remedies without talking to your doctor