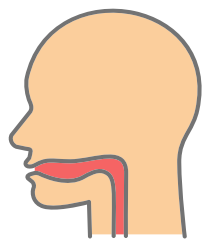


Why They're Not Eating: It's Not Always About Appetite

Common reasons people with dementia may refuse food—even when they're hungry.



chewing trouble



swallowing problem



visual disturbances



mouth pain



uncomfortable



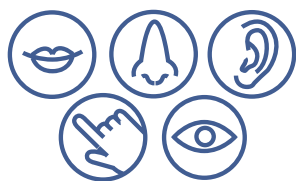
poor positioning



in pain



medication



sensory overload



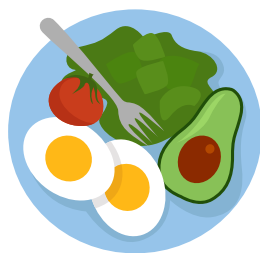
need to use restroom



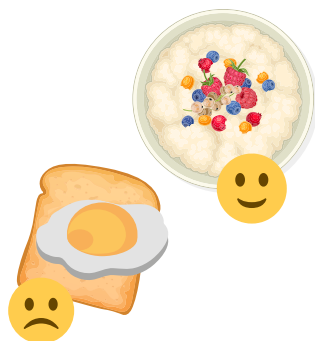
tired



need assistance



overwhelmed (too much food)



food preferences



need cues



distracted