COUNSELING: 3-STEP COUNSELING
LEVEL 1 HANDOUT: PRACTICE #1: AFFIRM!

Write an affirming statement for these statements a WIC mother might say.

Mother Says	Affirming Statement
My breasts are too small. The	
baby will starve.	
I'd be too afraid to breastfeed	
since I smoke.	
I don't want my dad to see me	
breastfeed.	
I'm afraid breastfeeding will be	
too painful.	
She wants to nurse all the time!	
I have to go back to work right	
after my baby is born.	
My mom says the baby will be	
too hard to take care of if I	
breastfeed.	