

POSITIVE OR NEUTRAL BEHAVIOURS IN KITTENS

Kittens show some specific behaviours when they are relaxed or in a neutral state.

Watch for things like ear, tail, and abdomen positions, and other behaviours like eating and grooming.

NOTE: These behaviours occur when kittens are in a positive or neutral state



NEUTRAL ABDOMEN

When a kitten holds their abdomen lifted from the ground with their legs naturally extended



UPRIGHT OR NEUTRAL TAIL

When a kitten holds their tail upwards, higher than the level of their back, or straight out behind them, in line with the level of their back



UPRIGHT EARS

When a kitten holds their ears upright at the front of their head, directed and facing forward



EATING

Kittens eating may appear crouched and move their ears around, but the act of eating indicates kitten is relaxed



GROOMING

As with eating, kittens grooming themselves may appear crouched and move their ears around, but the act of grooming indicates the kitten is relaxed