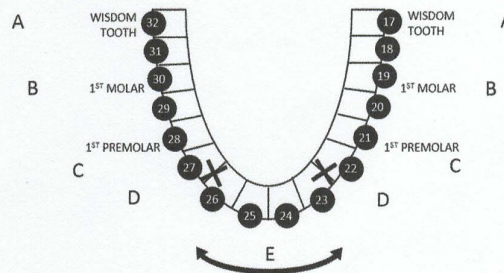


3. **Feeding Chewing Hierarchy Level #3:** Present a strip on the client's lateral incisor and facilitate a bite. Immediately present a second strip on the opposite side and facilitate a bite. Work left to right and right to left for 2 sets of 4-5 repetitions. The use of two strips reduces rooting and extraneous head movements and encourages jaw stability and a dissociated bite.



4. **Feeding Chewing Hierarchy Level #4:** Present the strip on the client's first molar. Provide stability with your nondominant hand as needed. Encourage the client to do 5 small graded bites – first molar, lateral incisor, front central incisor, lateral incisor, and first molar on the opposite side – 4-5 times right to left, 4-5 times left to right for 2 sets. Everyone has a stronger side; however, if your client has significant weakness on one side you may work 2 times on the weaker side as opposed to 1 time on the stronger side. In addition, clients may be working at a more advanced level on the hierarchy with easy-to-masticate solids (such as Veggie Stix) and may need to be working at an easier level with more challenging textures (e.g., grilled cheese strip).

