

# Respect Life 101

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### Month One

At the moment of conception (Day 1) the baby's genetic code already contains all of the necessary information for his or her sex, physical characteristics, and personality. By the end of the month, the baby's heart begins beating.



# **02** Month Two

After two months, all of the baby's organs are present and functioning. The baby is developing his or her skeleton, muscles, ears, eyelids, fingers, fingerprints, and toes. The baby can respond to touch.

## 03 Month Three

By the third month, the baby begins to move by flipping and kicking in the still spacious womb. The baby can hear internal sounds, grasp objects, and hiccup.





## Month Four

By the fourth month, the baby has toenails, fingernails, and tooth buds. The baby triples in weight and is longer in length.

### Months Five and Six

During months five and six, the baby grows to be a foot in height and, if born prematurely, could survive outside of the womb receiving treatment at a hospital's Neonatal Intensive Care Unit.





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Months Seven through Nine

By seven months, the baby weighs 3 lbs and by nine months the baby is about 7 lbs. The skins smooths and the lungs continue to mature preparing for birth.



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Infancy

By month 10, the baby is outside of the womb, vocalizing, reaching, and making eye contact, . The baby continues to be dependent upon adults for all his or her needs.



Respect Life Pregnancy Help Centers Provide Free Services to Support Women during Pregnancy and until their Children are 2-years-old





Pregnancy Tests

Limited Ultrasounds Peer Counseling



Earn While You Learn Classes



Material Assistance





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