

Sure you know about the birds and the bees, but do you know what happens after conception?

Do you know what you looked like two weeks into your Mom's pregnancy?

Do you know the amazing facts about the first nine months of your life?

Take the quiz.

01. You started swimming and doing back flips when your Mom was;
 - a. six weeks pregnant,
 - b. eight months pregnant,
 - c. forget the back flips, you can't even do a good belly flop.

02. If you kept growing all nine months as fast as you did during your second month you would have been as big as;
 - a. Arnold Schwarzeneger,
 - b. an M-1 tank,
 - c. a pair of overfed elephants

03. When did you most likely feel pain for the first time?
 - a. when they cut your umbilical cord,
 - b. when your Mom was nine weeks pregnant,
 - c. after your first lunch in the school cafeteria,
 - d. not long after the Dr. asked, "would you like him circumcised?"

4. By the time your mother found she was pregnant, you were;
 - a. a tiny speck smaller than the period at the end of a sentence,
 - b. a miniature human with arms, legs and a heartbeat,
 - c. a ball of cells the size of a marble

5. Your mother says you started to kick and poke her;
 - a. three months into the pregnancy,
 - b. at four months,
 - c. never mind when you started, when are you going to stop?

6. Five months into the pregnancy you got a lot of hiccups because;
 - a. your Mom was pigging out on pickles, ice cream, pizza and sardines,
 - b. you swallowed amniotic fluid,
 - c. your diaphragm was being formed,
 - d. you couldn't find a bag to put over your head.

7. Before you were born your skin was;
 - a. as wrinkled as a California raisin,
 - b. as waxy as a statue from Ripley's Believe It or Not,
 - c. both of the above.

8. When did you start using your brain?
 - a. when your Mom was eight months pregnant,
 - b. when she was forty days pregnant,
 - c. if you still haven't started using your brain, go to the next question.

9. When was the color of your hair determined?
 - a. at conception,
 - b. three months into the pregnancy,
 - c. only your hairdresser knows for sure.

10. Five months before you were born, your heart pumped enough blood every day to;
 - a. overflow a coffee mug,
 - b. fill half a tank of a Firebird,
 - c. create the special effects in *Friday the 13th, Part VII*.

11. When did you first start looking like either a boy or a girl?
 - a. the seventh month of pregnancy,
 - b. the end of the second month,
 - c. when the doctor announces to your parents, "It's a

12. If your mother smoked while she was pregnant, you may have been born;
 - a. overweight and overdue,
 - b. underweight and premature,
 - c. with yellow teeth and a nagging cough.

13. How premature can a baby be born and still survive?
 - a. One month early,
 - b. two months early,
 - c. four months early.

14. When did you begin to look like your Mom and Dad?
 - a. when your Mom was six months pregnant,
 - b. when your Mom was four months pregnant,
 - c. who cares when it happened, does anybody know a good plastic surgeon?

Answers to Quiz Questions

1. B. Around the time your mother learned she was pregnant, you could do a mean backstroke. Your favorite was a little backwards walk, leading with your head.
2. C. It's a good thing you slowed down after the second month or your birth weight would've been 14 tons. Let Daddy try bouncing that on his knee.
3. B. By nine weeks all the structures necessary for pain sensation are functioning. You would try your hardest to avoid the pain.
4. B. About eight weeks after conception, all systems were go: skeletal, nervous, digestive, circulatory and respiratory. The only job left was to refine what you already had.
5. B. At only a couple of months you started to shake, rattle and roll, but you were too little for Mom to notice. By four or five months however, she swore you had a black belt in karate.
6. B. Not only does amniotic fluid make a cushy 'waterbed', but it's also full of glucose (sugar). Swallowing the fluid was good practice for your digestive system and makes for a healthier you.
7. C. About half way through the pregnancy, you had lots of nice skin but not too much fat to fill it out. That's why premature babies look wrinkled, they need more 'meat on their bones'.
8. B. Fetal electric brain waves have been traced as early as the sixth week. What do you suppose they were thinking about?
9. A. At conception each parent contributed 15,000 chemical 'instruction sheets' or genes that determined not only what you look like, but also your health, talents, tastes, athletic abilities, intelligence, allergies and more.
10. B. Four months after conception you were pumping four and a half gallons of blood each day through a body about as long as your hand is now. It was your blood, not your mother's. You never shared her circulatory system. You may even have a different blood type.
11. B. You were either male or female from the point of conception, but it took about forty-six days for parts to be recognizable. Thanks to modern science, parents can now see the sex of their unborn baby with the help of an ultrasound machine by about four months. At last they can answer the age old question, "What color should I paint the nursery."

12. B. A smoking Mom sends nicotine, carbon monoxide, carbonic acid and wood alcohol right down the line to her baby. Smoking two packs a day reduces a baby's birth weight by 10%, which can seriously reduce the infant's chance of survival.
13. C. With modern technology, babies as young as twenty-two weeks and weighing only ten ounces have survived premature birth. You would need a lot of specialized medical help but would fight like a champion to hold on to life.
14. B. During your fourth month you grew to the grand height of six inches and began to resemble your parents. You also had a trait that may be used to positively identify you someday - a unique set of fingerprints.