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16 Weeks / 4 Months

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28 Weeks / 7 Months

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An unborn baby (or fetus) takes **9 months** to grow inside its mother.

On the timeline to the left, touch a time in the **growth cycle of the fetus** to see the development of an unborn baby.

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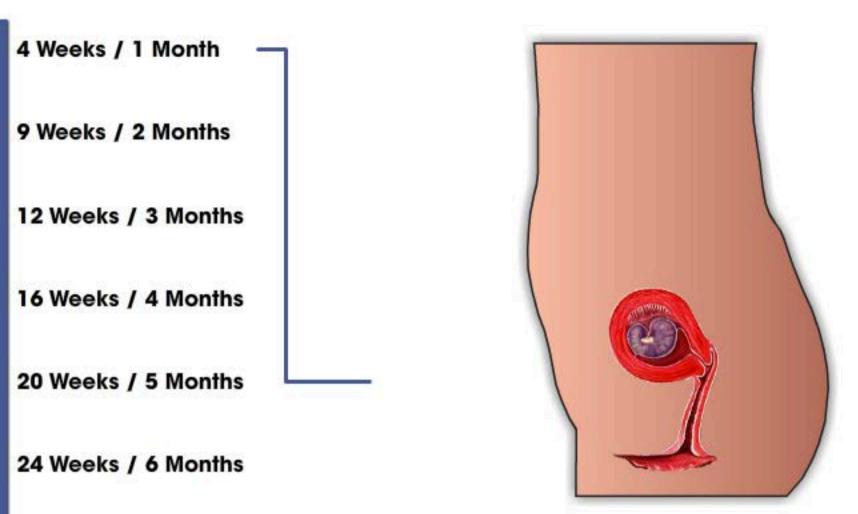
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