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# Home Economics: Child Development

Unit 1  
Parenthood, Pregnancy and  
the Newborn Baby



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**THURSDAY 6 JUNE, MORNING**

## TIME

1 hour 15 minutes.

## INSTRUCTIONS TO CANDIDATES

Write your Centre Number and Candidate Number in the spaces provided at the top of this page.

**You must answer the questions in the spaces provided.**

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Complete in black ink only. **Do not write with a gel pen.**

Answer **all eight** questions.

## INFORMATION FOR CANDIDATES

The total mark for this paper is **75**.

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Quality of written communication will be assessed in Questions **7** and **8**.



1 Read the following and tick the box beside each correct answer.

Tick (✓) only **one** box for each answer.

(a) Name the white greasy substance found on the baby's skin at birth.

A Vernix

B Milia

C Lanugo

D Fontanelle

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(b) After birth, how long is it before the postnatal check is carried out?

A 6 hours

B 6 days

C 6 weeks

D 6 months

[1]

(c) The moro reflex can also be called:

A Rooting reflex

B Startle reflex

C Stepping reflex

D Grasping reflex

[1]



(d) The term to describe the large tongs used during an assisted birth is:

A Scissors

B Induction

C Vacuum

D Forceps

[1]

(e) A premature or pre-term birth is when the baby is born before:

A 16 weeks

B 20 weeks

C 37 weeks

D 41 weeks

[1]



2 (a) Use the key terms to complete the table below.

Amniotic sac	Uterus	Cervix	Umbilical cord
(i) Transfers oxygen and nutrients from the mother to the baby			
(ii) Dilates to 10 cm during stage 1 of labour			
(iii) Acts as a cushion during pregnancy to protect the baby			
(iv) Contracts during labour			

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(b) Write down **two** ways to prevent food poisoning when preparing meals during pregnancy.

1. \_\_\_\_\_

2. \_\_\_\_\_ [2]

(c) Explain an ectopic pregnancy.

\_\_\_\_\_

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(d) Describe how a mother can meet the following needs of a newborn baby.

Love and Comfort

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Sleep

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3 (a) Below is a picture of a diaphragm/cap.



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Describe how this method of contraception works.

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(b) Identify **three** possible causes of male infertility.

1. \_\_\_\_\_
2. \_\_\_\_\_
3. \_\_\_\_\_ [3]

(c) Assess **two** changes a new baby brings to a couple's lifestyle.

1. \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_
2. \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_ [4]

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4 (a) Emma is pregnant and wants to buy a pram for her newborn baby.



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Discuss **three** factors Emma should consider when purchasing this pram.

1. \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_ [2]

2. \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_ [2]

3. \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_ [2]





(b) The Consumer Rights Act 2015 is a law that protects consumers.

Write down **three** standards that the pram must meet.

1. \_\_\_\_\_
2. \_\_\_\_\_
3. \_\_\_\_\_ [3]

(c) Quality marks can be found on baby clothing and equipment.

Name the quality marks shown below:

	(i)
	(ii)

[2]

Sources: (i) British Toy and Hobby Association. (ii) British Standards Institution



**5 (a)** Minor problems are common in pregnancy.

Write down **two** ways the following minor problems could be prevented in pregnancy.

Backache

1. \_\_\_\_\_
2. \_\_\_\_\_ [2]

Oedema

1. \_\_\_\_\_
2. \_\_\_\_\_ [2]

Heartburn

1. \_\_\_\_\_
2. \_\_\_\_\_ [2]

**(b)** Labour is the process of giving birth.

Describe what happens at each of the following stages of labour.

- Stage 2 \_\_\_\_\_
- \_\_\_\_\_
- \_\_\_\_\_
- \_\_\_\_\_
- \_\_\_\_\_ [3]





Stage 3 \_\_\_\_\_

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