



General Certificate of Secondary Education
2024

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Home Economics: Child Development

Unit 1
Parenthood, Pregnancy and
the Newborn Baby

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[GCD11]

THURSDAY 6 JUNE, MORNING

Time

1 hour 15 minutes, plus your additional time allowance.

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.

Do not write on blank pages.

Complete in black ink only.

Answer **all eight** questions.

Information for Candidates

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

Figures in brackets printed at the end of each question indicate the marks awarded to each question or part question.

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. [1 mark for each]

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

A Vernix

B Milia

C Lanugo

D Fontanelle

(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

(c) The moro reflex can also be called:

- A** Rooting reflex
- B** Startle reflex
- C** Stepping reflex
- D** Grasping reflex

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

- A** Scissors
- B** Induction
- C** Vacuum
- D** Forceps

(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

- 2 (a) Use the key terms to complete the table below.
[4 marks]

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	

- (b) Write down **two** ways to prevent food poisoning when preparing meals during pregnancy. [2 marks]

1. _____

2. _____

(c) Explain an ectopic pregnancy. [3 marks]

(d) Describe how a mother can meet the following needs of a newborn baby. [2 marks for each]

Love and Comfort

Sleep

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



Describe how this method of contraception works.
[3 marks]

(b) Identify **three** possible causes of male infertility.
[3 marks]

1. _____

2. _____

3. _____

(c) Assess **two** changes a new baby brings to a couple's lifestyle. [4 marks]

1. _____

2. _____

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



Discuss **three** factors Emma should consider when purchasing this pram. [2 marks for each]

1. _____

2. _____

3. _____



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

Write down **three** standards that the pram must meet.
[3 marks]

1. _____
2. _____
3. _____

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

Name the quality marks shown below: [2 marks]

	(i)
	(ii)

5 (a) Minor problems are common in pregnancy.

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

Backache [2 marks]

1. _____
2. _____

Oedema [2 marks]

1. _____
2. _____

Heartburn [2 marks]

1. _____
2. _____

(b) Labour is the process of giving birth.

Describe what happens at each of the following stages of labour. [3 marks for each]

Stage 2 _____

Stage 3 _____

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