

Chapter 21

Use with Section 2

ENRICHMENT**● Fertilization to Birth****Birth “Trauma”**

After nine months in the uterus, a baby is suddenly exposed to a very different environment. For the baby, we can only imagine that this comes as a complete shock.

Think about the changes a baby faces, then fill in the table below. You may need to use references.

Conditions	In the uterus	After birth
temperature		
light		
sound		
oxygen		
food		
wastes		
protection		
touch		

Use the library to find additional information on birth, then answer the following questions.

1. What sort of trauma would the baby experience during the process of birth? _____

2. What procedures are performed on the baby in the delivery room or within hours after birth?
