

Chapter 23

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?
