

a. The Baby's Growth

MODULE 2

The **first trimester** coincides with the three first months of pregnancy. During the first weeks, the organs are set in place in the embryo by a series of complex proceedings narrowly linked to one another. Even though you do not feel your baby's presence, your baby is alive.

The **second trimester** coincides with the fourth, fifth, and sixth month of pregnancy. It is a very important period during which the baby, who is not yet ready to survive outside the mother's uterus, reinforces its structure.

The **third trimester** coincides with the last three months of pregnancy, which are the seventh, eighth, and ninth month. During this period, the baby's organs are being perfected and he or she is growing rapidly. The baby is preparing to come into the world.

The following animation will help you visualize your baby's growth from conception to birth.



