

Goodies



The smallest newborn ever



Oh, the baby was so tiny!

It's a miracle that she is now doing great!

On December 2018, the tiniest baby in history ever to survive was born in an American hospital. Weighing 245 grams, she was only the size of a large apple. The baby had to be born early, through surgery, because the mother had life-threatening health issues.



Alex

A bundle of joy

Troublesome birth

THE baby was born in Sharp Mary Birch Hospital for Women and Newborns in San Diego, California (加州聖地牙哥). The doctors there thought the baby arrived too early and might not survive. A normal **pregnancy** usually takes 40 weeks, but this baby was born after only 23 weeks and three days. When a baby is born too early, he or she is born **premature**.



Current situation

AFTER spending five months in **intensive care**, the baby, who was nicknamed Saybie by hospital staff, is now doing very well. Currently she weighs a healthy 2.2 kilograms and her parents have since taken her home. The doctors said she survived probably because she had no **complications**.



Born with assistance

A BABY can be taken out of a mother through surgery called a caesarean section, or a C-section. It is done by cutting open the tummy and then the **womb** of the mother. The baby is then taken out and the mother sewn back together again. The **procedure** got its name because legend has it that a famous ruler in ancient Rome (古羅馬), Julius Caesar, was born that way. But historians now say the story was not true.



Thank heavens the baby is now back at home!



True or False

1. The baby was born too late.
2. Historians think Julius Caesar was born normally.
3. The baby is still at the hospital.

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