HOW YOUR BABY'S SENSES DEVELOP

7-8 weeks

- Sensitive to touch around the mouth.
- Taste receptors on the tongue form.

12-14 weeks

- Baby can suck their thumb.
- Baby's hands start opening.

20 weeks

- Hearing structures begin to develop.

24 weeks

- Sensitive to touch all over the body.
- Grasp reflex triggered by touching the palm.
- Detects flavors in the amniotic fluid.

26-27 weeks

- Reacts to bitter taste.
- Begins to move in response to sounds.

28-29 weeks

- Grasps with toes when the foot is touched.
- Sweet and sour tastes
- Recognizes voices.

32 weeks

- Recognizes the mother's voice.
- Pupils constrict in response to light.

34 weeks

- Prefers sweet tastes.
- Recognizes familiar sounds.
- Starts to track moving objects.

35-40 weeks

- Recognizes mother's voice, language, and speech pattern.
- Follows moving objects.
- Vision development accelerates after 40 weeks.

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