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Level 0 – 12th August, 2021

Smallest ever baby leaves hospital after 13 months

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Please try Levels 1, 2 and 3. They are (a little) harder.

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THE READING

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The world's smallest baby left hospital after 13 months. Yu Xuan weighed 212 grams when she was born at around 25 weeks. Doctors gave her a "limited chance of survival". They helped her to live. They said they were happy and proud. They wished her well and said she "beat the odds every day".

Yu Xuan's mother was grateful to the doctors and nurses. She called them wonderful. Yu Xuan still has problems. She has a lung disease. She has a special machine at home to help her breathe. Her doctors said she would get better. They said she never gave up. They called her "extraordinary" and "a ray of hope".

Sources: <https://www.newsweek.com/smallest-baby-ever-weigh-apple-hospital-singapore-1617455>
<https://www.foxnews.com/health/worlds-smallest-infant-discharged-hospital-13-months>
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PHRASE MATCHING

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PARAGRAPH ONE:

- | | |
|-------------------------------|-----------------------|
| 1. The world's | a. chance of survival |
| 2. Yu Xuan weighed | b. well |
| 3. she was born at around | c. and proud |
| 4. Doctors gave her a limited | d. 25 weeks |
| 5. They helped her | e. odds every day |
| 6. They said they were happy | f. smallest baby |
| 7. They wished her | g. 212 grams |
| 8. she beat the | h. to live |

PARAGRAPH TWO:

- | | |
|----------------------------------|-------------------|
| 1. Yu Xuan's mother was grateful | a. her breathe |
| 2. She has a lung | b. extraordinary |
| 3. She has a special machine at | c. disease |
| 4. to help | d. of hope |
| 5. doctors said she would | e. to the doctors |
| 6. They said she never | f. get better |
| 7. They called her | g. gave up |
| 8. a ray | h. home |

LISTEN AND FILL IN THE GAPS

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The world's smallest (1) _____ after 13 months.

Yu Xuan (2) _____ when she was born at around

25 weeks. Doctors (3) _____ "limited chance of

survival". (4) _____ to live. They said they were

(5) _____. They wished her well and said she

"beat the (6) _____".

Yu Xuan's mother (7) _____ the doctors and

nurses. She (8) _____. Yu Xuan still has

problems. She (9) _____ disease. She has a

(10) _____ home to help her breathe. Her

doctors said she (11) _____. They said she never

gave up. They called her "extraordinary" and "a

(12) _____".

PUT A SLASH (/) WHERE THE SPACES ARE

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BABIES SURVEY

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Write five GOOD questions about babies in the table. Do this in pairs. Each student must write the questions on his / her own paper. When you have finished, interview other students. Write down their answers.

	STUDENT 1 _____	STUDENT 2 _____	STUDENT 3 _____
Q.1.			
Q.2.			
Q.3.			
Q.4.			
Q.5.			

- Now return to your original partner and share and talk about what you found out. Change partners often.
- Make mini-presentations to other groups on your findings.

WRITE QUESTIONS & ASK YOUR PARTNER(S)

Student A: Do not show these to your speaking partner(s).

a) _____

b) _____

c) _____

d) _____

e) _____

f) _____

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WRITE QUESTIONS & ASK YOUR PARTNER(S)

Student B: Do not show these to your speaking partner(s).

a) _____

b) _____

c) _____

d) _____

e) _____

f) _____

