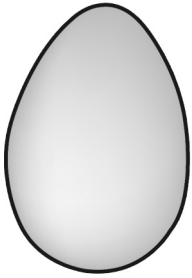


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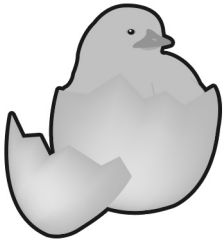
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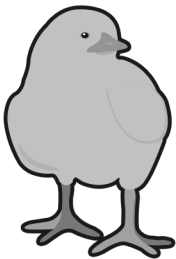
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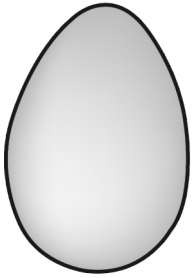
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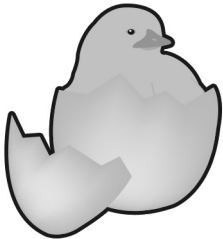
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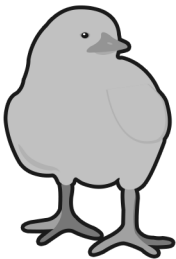
1. EGG - Adult, female chickens, or hens, produce and lay an egg every 24 hours or so. If the egg has been fertilized by a rooster, a chick will grow inside the egg. Eggs that have not been fertilized will not grow a chick.



2. EMBRYO - The embryo is a growing chick inside the egg. It takes 21 days for a chick to develop.



3. HATCHLING - A chick will hatch out of its egg after it is fully developed. It uses its egg tooth on the end of its beak to break the egg from the inside.



4. CHICK - A chick is a young chicken. They do not require a mother to take care of them. Chicks can begin eating the same food an adult chicken will eat.



5. CHICKEN - A chick becomes an adult chicken between 4 and 6 months of age. A male is called a rooster, and a female is called a hen. The hen will begin to produce and lay eggs when she becomes an adult.