

## The Baby Balloon Project Directions

Your assignment is to have a baby! Give it a name and a face (use the black permanent markers only as the others smudge). Get the umbilical chord to attach the baby around your neck and keep your baby with you at all times – especially every day at school. You will keep your baby for a week. If you work, you may get a babysitter for your work hours only. No babysitting during school and no latchkey babies! If you go out, keep your baby with you in public. If you go into a store or to a friend's house, don't leave your baby in the car as it is against the law! Protect your baby because there are evil people who might harm your baby. There are also people who are jealous and might kidnap your baby!

If your baby deflates or accidentally pops, be sure to come to me immediately and get a new one. Don't wait for the next class period and come in and say that your baby popped – you will be docked points.

You will have your baby with you for one week. At the end of the exercise, you will reflect upon the assignment and we will be discussing your experiences. If you go out on a date, you need to take your baby with you as your partner needs to get used to the idea plus you can see if they will be good or neglectful parents in the future.

As part of this project you must complete and turn in your Baby Cost Analysis Sheet. You should use the internet to do your research and shopping. You need to site your sources and print a receipt or screenshot of your shopping cart and attach the receipt to your cost analysis sheet. You will also need to complete a short journal of your experiences with your baby.

**BE A GOOD AND RESPONSIBLE PARENT!!!**