

Oh Baby: Eight-Month-Old Tips Scale at 41 Pounds

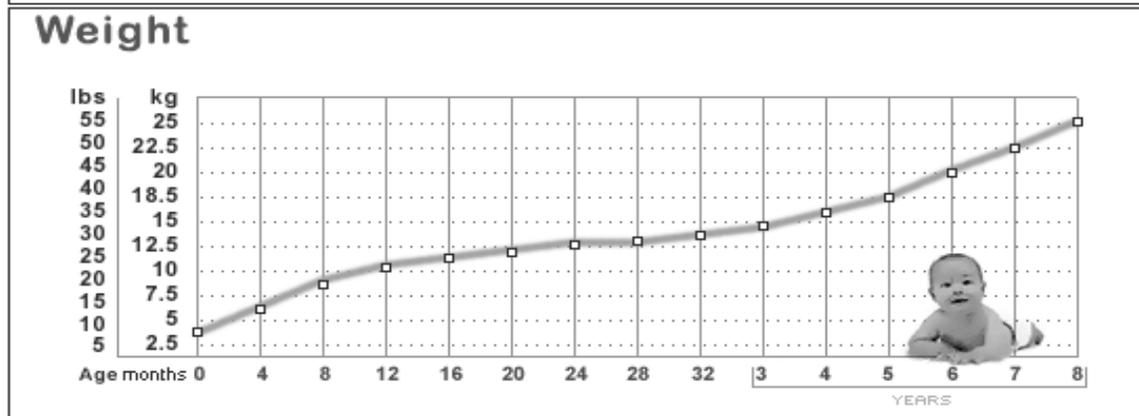
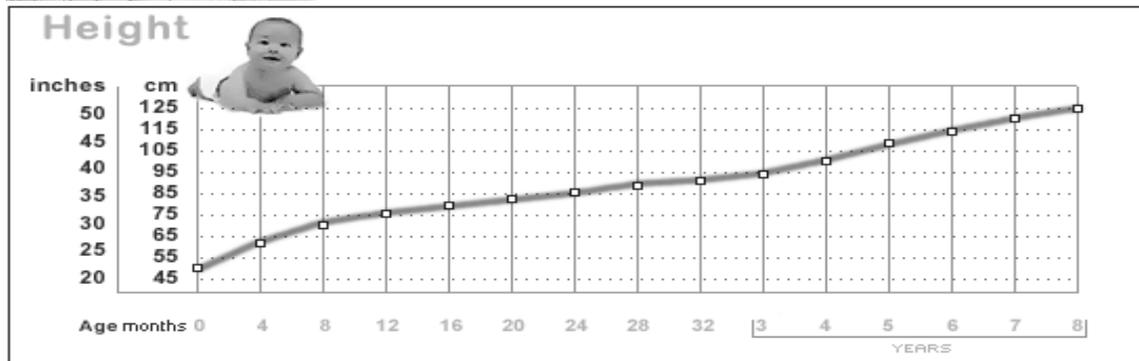
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An eight-month-old baby boy in Jilin, Northeast China has tipped the scales at over three stone. Weighing 18.8 kg (41 pounds) and measuring 78 centimeters in height, he was born with a normal birth weight of 3.3 kg.

The eight-month-old baby started putting on extra weight when he was a month old. His mother nurses him more than 20 times a day because he often feels hungry. Because of his obesity, he is unable to crawl or stand.

The stone is a unit of weight and mass. It is part of the Imperial system of weights and measures used in the British Isles, and formerly used in most Commonwealth countries. It is equal to 14 pounds and to 6.35kg. ([http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Stone_\(weight\)](http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Stone_(weight)))



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1. Create a table illustrating a series of height to weight ratios expressed in simplest form for each of the fifteen points identified in the two charts above. At what point does the greatest change take place? Least? Explain.
2. At a constant rate of growth, what would the young Asian boy pictured above weigh in pounds, stones, and kilograms at the following heights: a) 3 feet, b) 3 feet 6 inches, c) 4 feet, d) 4 feet 6 inches, and e) 6 feet?
3. By what percentage does the eight-month-old baby boy exceed traditional weight standards and likewise, fail to meet height expectations? Explain your answer.
4. What long-term changes in this child's lifestyle must take place *immediately* to prevent serious health concerns?
5. Upon completion of this assignment, how far have we progressed through the 2007-08 series of *The Daughtry Times*[®]? Express your answer as a fraction, decimal, percentage, and pie chart.
6. As obtained from the passage above, in paragraph form, explain at least eight ways using the "Traditional Writing Guidelines" simplifies the paragraph writing process. Be specific.
7. As obtained from the passage above, in paragraph form, explain at least six ways using the "Preliminary Reading Guidelines" simplifies understanding of the material. Be specific.
8. In paragraph form, explain at least five legitimate and educational purposes behind *The Daughtry Times*[®].