

C22 U4 Lesson A1

Read the next text. There are 7 reporting clauses. Type them in in the corresponding space as they appear on the text.

Baby Myths

The care of babies is the subject of many superstitions in the United States.

1. For example, **some parents say that** something is wrong if their baby gets his or her teeth late.
2. But scientists assert that late teething is irrelevant to physical or mental growth.
3. Some people believe that babies who are frightened by strangers will be insecure. This is simply untrue, according to child psychologists.
4. Some parents believe that their babies will walk faster if they wear shoes.
5. The experts say that this, too, is a myth –babies who go barefoot develop their muscles more rapidly.
6. What about fat babies? Traditionally, people have assumed that fat babies are healthy,
7. but today's research reports that they tend to become overweight adults.

Parents who want the best for their children should do their research rather than blindly following superstitions.

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