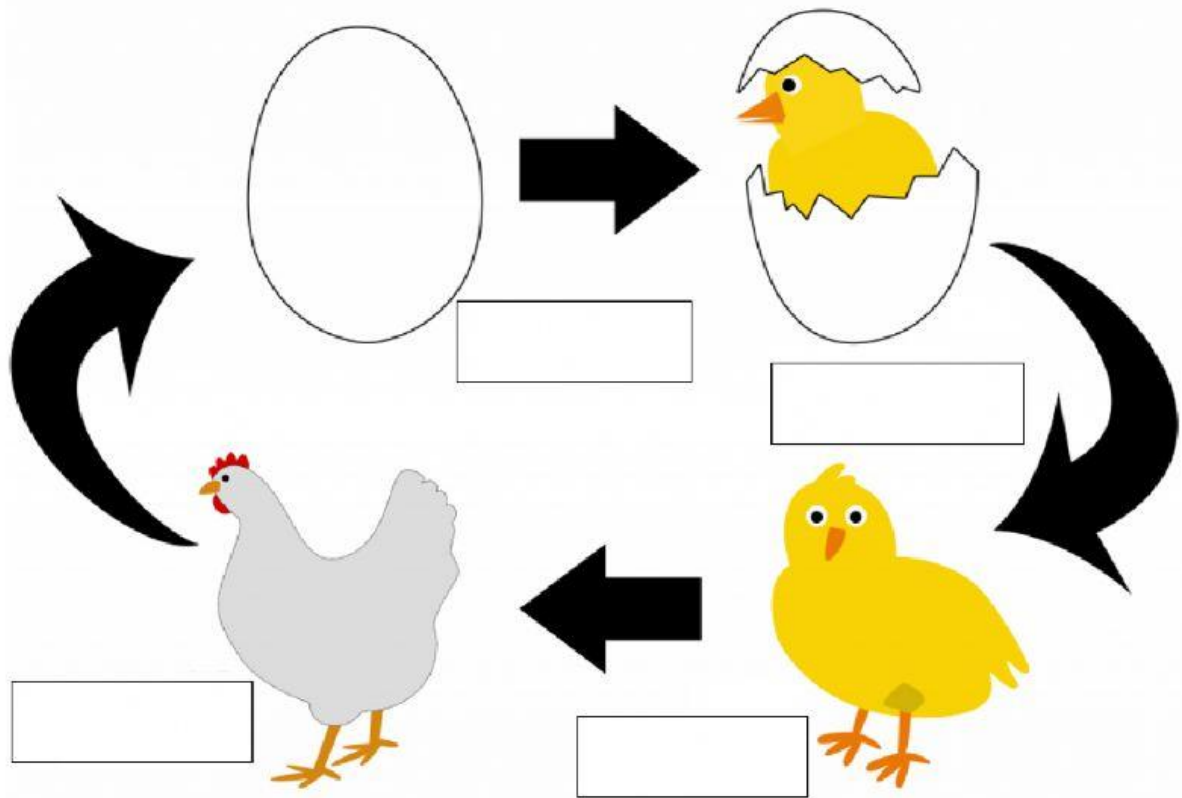


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Type the name of each of the 4 stages of the chicken's life cycle. Make sure your spellings are correct.

## LIFE CYCLE OF A CHICKEN



Draw a line to join the description of each stage to its corresponding picture.

Baby chicks are fuzzy and cute!

They learn to eat by pecking at the ground and finding what is good for them. Sometimes they peck at their own feet or their brothers and sisters before they learn that they aren't food!

As soon as the egg is laid, a chick begins to grow inside.

The baby chick eats the yolk, which is full of nutrition that helps it grow.

The mother hen sits on the eggs to keep the eggs warm.

When the chick is big and strong enough, it will use the little lump on its beak called an "egg tooth" to help break the shell and hatch.

Chicks usually take about 21 days to grow big enough to hatch.

Adult chickens begin the life cycle all over again! Male chickens are called roosters and female chickens are called hens.

Hens lay about 2 eggs a day. They can live as long as 12 years!

