

# THE MALE REPRODUCTIVE SYSTEM

Complete the sentences with the vocabulary in the box.

erect                      fertilise  
puberty                  seminal vesicles                  sperm  
testicles                  ~~three~~                  baby  
healthy                  vagina                  urethra  
ejaculation                  seminal fluid  
bigger

During \_\_\_\_\_, the male's penis gets larger and testicles get \_\_\_\_\_ and fall outside the body. The body begins producing spermatozoa (or *sperm*) cells in the \_\_\_\_\_. The testicles are outside of the body because the temperature to make \_\_\_\_\_ sperm must be a little lower than the temperature in the body.

The process of releasing sperm is called \_\_\_\_\_. This process can happen spontaneously during the first stages of puberty. Sperm from the testicles is mixed with a nutrient-rich liquid called \_\_\_\_\_. This liquid made in the \_\_\_\_\_.

To release sperm, the penis must be \_\_\_\_\_. This helps reproduction by allowing the penis to push inside of a woman's \_\_\_\_\_, releasing the sperm and semen mixture out of the penis through the tube called the \_\_\_\_\_.

Once inside a woman's body, sperm can live for up to three days, searching for an ovum (egg). It is a race to \_\_\_\_\_ a mature egg. Only one sperm cell is necessary to make a \_\_\_\_\_, and the genes inside a \_\_\_\_\_ cell decide if a baby will be male or female.

Use the words to label the diagram.

urethra                  vas deferens                  bladder  
seminal vesicle                  prostate                  testicle

