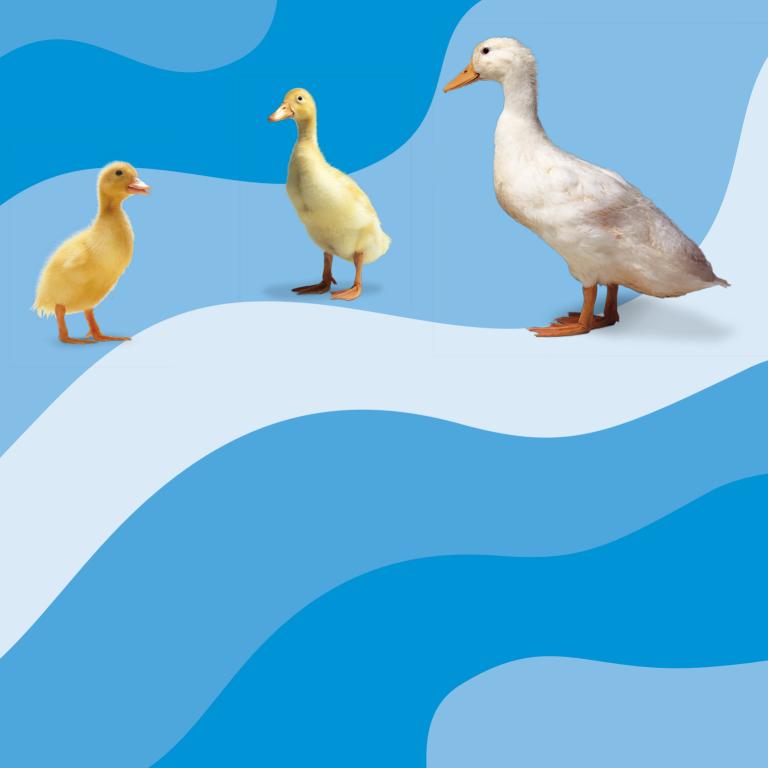


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In the nest



Inside this egg a new duckling is growing. It is me! I am just beginning to hatch.





My mother has laid her eggs in this nest. She sits on them to keep them warm.

Just hatched

I'm done chipping away my shell and now I'm pushing myself out.





I can see, hear, stand, and walk. I can cheep, too. Have you seen my mother?

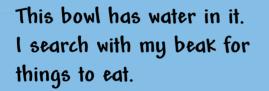
First swim

I am two days old now. I am going to the pond for my first swim.

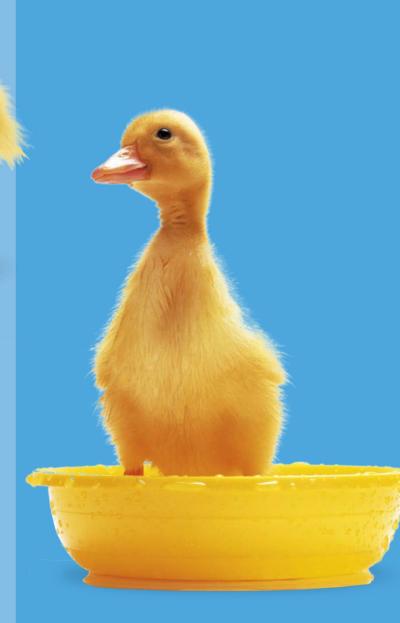
As soon as I am in the water, I start to swim. I use my webbed feet to push me through the water.

Feeding

I am seven days old and getting bigger. I like to explore new things.







Now I've jumped right into the bowl!

In the water

I dabble in the water for things to eat.

I am two weeks old and I love to swim in the water.

I shake the water off my feathers.

New feathers

I am three weeks old. My yellow down is falling out and new white feathers are beginning to grow.

I stay close to the other ducklings. Our mother watches for danger.

Sometimes we huddle together. Our fuzzy feathers help keep us warm.

Almost grown up

I am six weeks old and almost grown up.

All my feathers are white and my wings are bigger and stronger.

See how much I have grown. This bowl is small now, but it seemed big when I first jumped into it!

See how I grew



One hour old



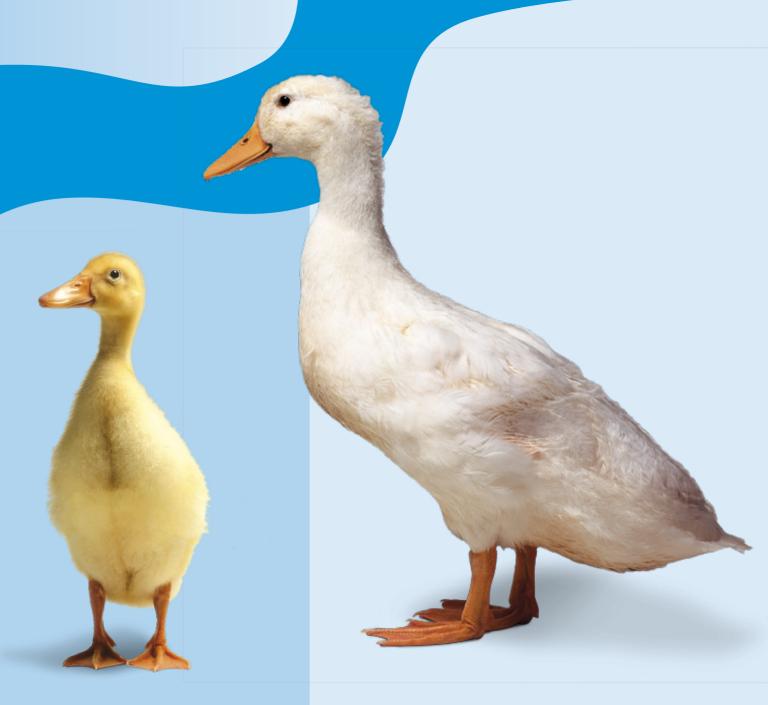
The egg

Seven days old



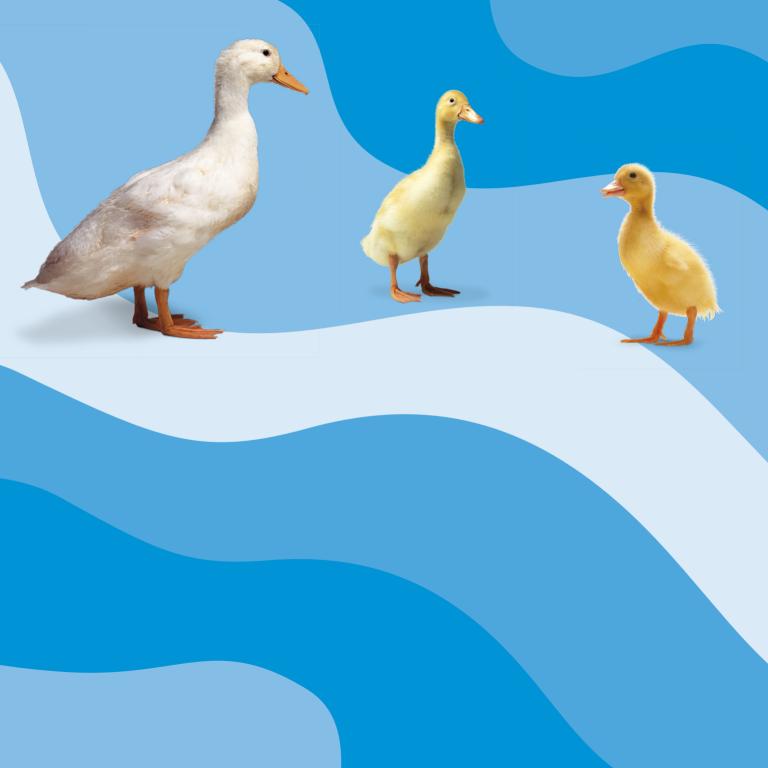
Two weeks old

Two days old



Three weeks old

Six weeks old











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