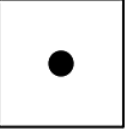
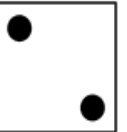

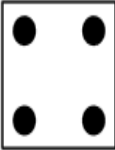

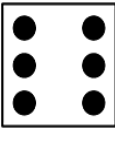


# A Roll of the Dice – The Life of Teenage Pregnancy

	Physical	Social	Emotional	Legal	Economic
	As a teen, you are more likely to drink, smoke and use drugs while pregnant. You used all of these and your baby is born with abnormalities that will effect them for the rest of their life.	All your friends are shopping for prom dresses/tuxedos..... you are shopping for baby clothes.	You are resentful because of the pregnancy. You are scared and a bit panicked.	Boys born to teenage mothers have a higher chance of ending up in prison. (13% higher). Your baby is a boy.	You drop out of high school. Only 33% of teen mothers gain a high school diploma.
	Teen mothers are less likely to gain an adequate amount of weight during pregnancy. You have a low birth-weight baby (5.5 pounds) Your baby has an intestinal complication and vision loss.	You spend most of your time home with your own parents, watching T.V. and taking care of the baby.	Hormones change dramatically, and moodiness makes it even more difficult to get along with each other through the stress of teen pregnancy.	Girls born to teenage mothers have a 22% higher chance of repeating the teen mother cycle. Your baby is a girl.	Because of your lower income, you must go on public assistance/welfare. 80% of teen parents rely on welfare sometime in their lives.
	Teen moms are more likely to have premature babies, which also are low birth-weight. Your baby is born with respiratory distress syndrome and lung problems.	When the pregnancy occurred., you were really worried about telling your parents and what they are going to say. It has permanently changed your relationship with them.	You are frustrated because you can't take part in the usual activities you did before the pregnancy.	You were playing around with the cell phone, and sent some naked pics. These were sent to ½ the school. Now the school is investigating.	The chances of your child growing up in poverty are approximately 64% because you had a child as a teen, you are unmarried, and will not receive a high school diploma.

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	Teen mothers are less likely to receive prenatal care. Babies who do not receive prenatal care are more likely to die before age 1. You don't begin prenatal care until you are 6 months pregnant.	You use to be very active in sports, drama, and social activities. You are missing out on all those things, and are feeling lonely.	You are worried that you aren't going to be a good parent.	There is a four year age difference between you and your 15 year old partner. You are being charged as a sex offender.	Less than 2% of teen parents complete a college education before they turn 30. You have to give up your college aspirations....at least for now.
	The impact of pregnancy on the body is a surprise. None of your clothes fit anymore, and you feel very uncomfortable as the baby grows.	You had been lying to your parents. They asked if you were having sex, and you said no. They are very disappointed in the lie and the pregnancy.	You are scared and a bit panicked about the future as a parent.	You leave your newborn at a police station, fire station or hospital using the "Safe Delivery Laws" and give up your baby anonymously.	The cost of teenage pregnancy to the nation is over \$9 billion every year. You can prevent pregnancy through controlling your actions and always using birth control every time. You thought this wasn't important.
	Some physical activities are dangerous for pregnant women. You are not able to take part in the sports team(s) from school because of your pregnancy.	You can't find any people your age who are parents, and you don't find much in common with your old friends.	You are the only ones in your group of friends who are having a baby. You are beginning to feel distant and alienated.	There was no relationship, just sex. There were some sexual pictures that ended up on-line. Both of you are under age, and there could be legal implications.	Studies indicate that at age 2, children who were unplanned have significantly lower cognitive test scores compared to children who were born as a result of an intended pregnancy. Your pregnancy is unplanned.