

Teacher Key

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		Feathers begin to form. Embryo starts to look like a bird.			Toes are fully formed. Down feathers are visible.	
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