



Mission Mania:

Prematurity

1. A preterm birth is one occurring before:
 - a. the 37th week of pregnancy
 - b. the 40th week of pregnancy
2. Since the early 1980s, the rate of preterm birth in the U.S. has:
 - a. decreased
 - b. stayed the same
 - c. increased
3. The proportion of preterm babies born to African-American mothers is _____ the rate for babies born to white mothers.
 - a. twice
 - b. the same as
 - c. half
4. The March of Dimes is responding to the problem of prematurity by:
 - a. providing nearly \$4 million of research grants to uncover the causes of prematurity
 - b. distributing education materials to help pregnant women understand the signs of preterm labor
 - c. launching a major initiative in 2003 to raise awareness and seek solutions
 - d. all of the above
5. Prematurity is the leading cause of death in the:
 - a. first month of life
 - b. first year of life

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Answers: 1. A; 2. C; 3. A; 4. D; 5. A