

Birthstones, Birth Flowers, and other Birth Time Beliefs

	BIRTHSTONE	BIRTH FLOWER
January	Garnet (Constancy)	Carnation
February	Amethyst (Sincerity)	Violet
March	Aquamarine or Bloodstone (Truth)	Hyacinth or Grape Hyacinth
April	Diamond (Innocence)	Sweet Pea
May	Emerald (Happiness)	Lily of the Valley
June	Pearl or Moonstone (Health)	Rose
July	Ruby or Carnelian (Love)	Delphinium
August	Sardonyx or Peridot (Felicity)	Gladiolus
September	Sapphire (Wisdom)	Aster or September Aster
October	Opal or Tourmaline (Hope)	Marigold
November	Topaz (Fidelity)	Chrysanthemum
December	Turquoise or Zircon (Success)	Narcissus

- ❖ A baby born between the stroke of midnight on a Friday and first light on Saturday, called a chime baby, is said to be blessed with second sight.
- ❖ To be born on Christmas day is considered, in England and France, to be extremely lucky.
- ❖ Babies born with the new moon will be eloquent speakers.
- ❖ Those who arrive during the last quarter will be good reasoners.
- ❖ In France, it is believed that babies born on the moon's increase will be fast growers.
- ❖ The third son in the family will be wise.
- ❖ The seventh child of the seventh child will be lucky.
- ❖ North Carolinians believe that March-born babies will be fickle.

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 By Odette Chatham-Baker

Monday's child is fair of face
 Tuesday's child is full of grace,
 Wednesday's child is full of woe,
 Thursday's child has far to go,
 Friday's child is loving and giving,
 Saturday's child works hard for a living,
 But the child who is born on the Sabbath Day
 Is bonny and blithe and good and gay.
 (Traditional)