



Complications in Labour

Match the correct word with the correct definition

TERM
Retained placenta
Breech presentation
Premature delivery
Shoulder dystocia
Perinatal asphyxia
Fetal distress
Prolonged labour
Post-partum haemorrhage
Cephalopelvic disproportion
Uterine rupture
Precipitous labour
Occiput posterior position
Perineal tear
Hypoxic-ischemic encephalopathy (HIE)

DEFINITION
Baby born before 37 weeks of gestation
Excessive bleeding during or after delivery
Labour that progresses in less than 5 hours
Lack of oxygen at birth
Fetus struggling for variety of reasons including low amniotic fluid, irregular heartbeat
Baby presents feet or buttocks first for delivery
Baby head down but facing abdomen
Placenta is not delivered after the birth
Laceration of the perineum
Baby unable to start or sustain breathing at birth
Baby unable to pass through the birth canal
Labour not progressing well
Opening of previous Caesarean scar during birth
Baby's head appears but shoulders are stuck inside the mother