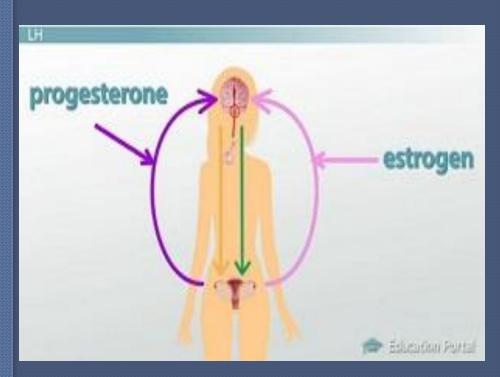
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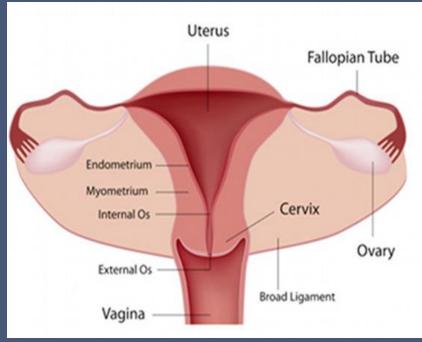


#### What Is puberty?

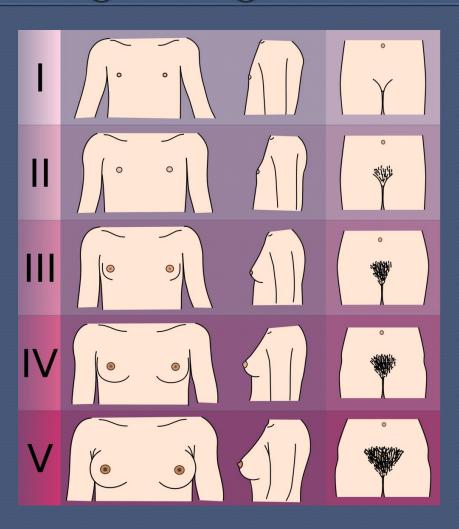
- Time of change from child to adult
- When the body reaches maturity
- Emotional changes occur
- Bodies of boys and girls develop and become fertile
- It is due to hormones

## Female reproductive organs





### Changes in girls - body

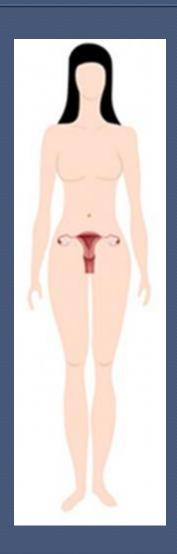


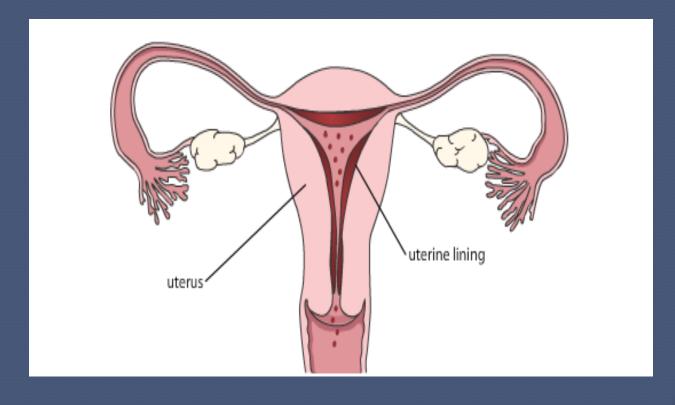
### Changes in girls

- Grow taller
- Bones grow
- Hips get wider and more curvy
- Weight gain is normal
- Hair and skin become oily and you may get pimples
- Voice gets a little deeper



### What are periods?





### What to expect during periods?

- You may get a headache before period starts
- You may experience "cramps", nausea, stomach aches, pain in the breast or backaches. Most of you will outgrow this pain eventually.
- The intensity of pain varies from person to person
- Taking rest by lying down or using a hot water bottle on the stomach for relaxation can help ease the pain.



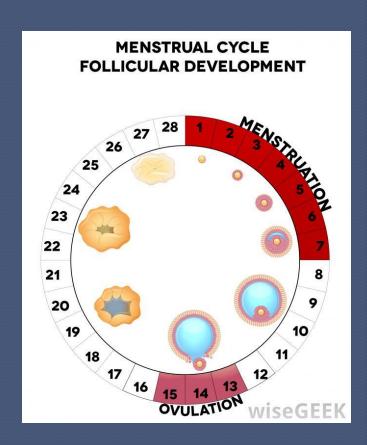
#### How much will I bleed?

- The amount of blood lost in 3 to 7 days varies from one girl to another. If you think you are losing a lot of blood, it becomes important to eat food rich in iron so that you don't become anemic.
- Bleeding starts slowly, peaks in day 2 or 3 and slows down in day 4 and usually disappears by day 6. If you have excessive bleeding even on day 6 or 7 it is best to see a doctor.



### How often will I get my periods

- At first there may not be any pattern to when you will get your next period
- Some girls never have a regular pattern
- Most girls eventually have a regular cycle they know approximately when their next period will happen
- The length of a cycle is from the first day of bleeding one month to the first day of bleeding the next time it happens
- Each girl is different



#### Hygiene during periods

- Change napkins regularly
- Remember to take change of napkins whenever going out
- Wash the genital area after each use of the toilet, also after urination
- Keep the area between the legs dry otherwise soreness may develop
- Take bath everyday during menses
- Do not wash insides of vagina with soap or any other product

## Personal hygiene

- Body produces more sweat resulting in body odor
- Bathe daily with soap
- Wear clean clothes and socks everyday especially after playing

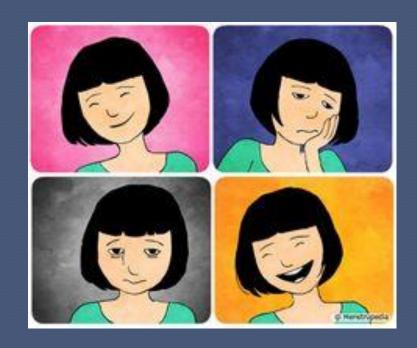


## Mood changes

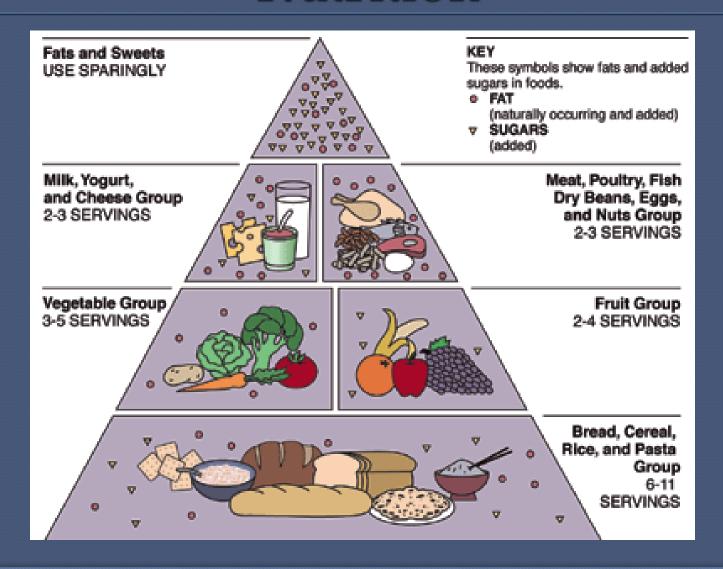
 Feelings may change day to day – self conscious, fear, peer pressure, emotional

Caused by hormones

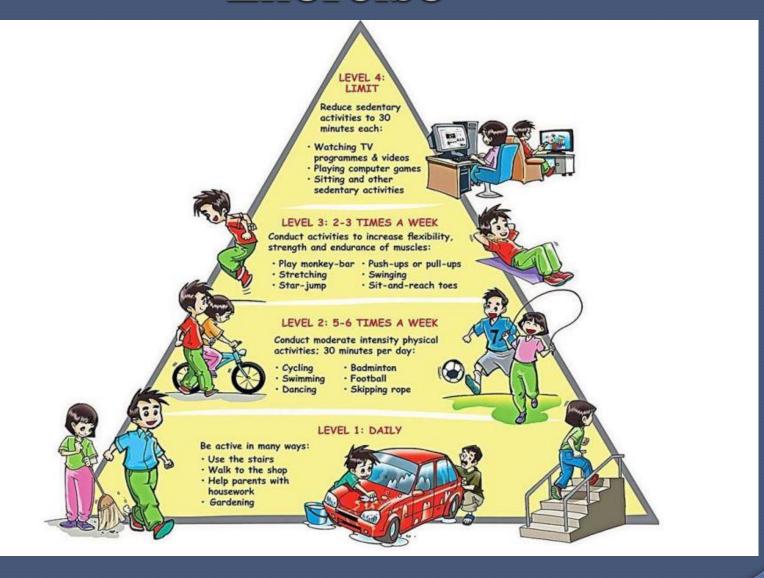
They are a part of growing up!



#### Nutrition



#### Exercise



### HPV vaccine



#### Who should I ask?

 Friends: They're going through the same thing too, so don't be embarrassed to talk things through with each other

 Parents: They went through it too, so they do understand

 Teachers, school counsellors or other adults in school: They are always around to talk to and discuss individual worries



#### ????Quiz????

- 1. Puberty is when a child's body changes into an adult body TRUE
- 2. Girls mature quicker than boys FALSE
- 3. Puberty can change how we look, sound, feel and even smell TRUE

- 4. Puberty starts at the same time for everyone FALSE
- 5. All boys develop chest hair FALSE

- 5. In puberty one side of our body can develop faster than the other-TRUE
- 6. In puberty both girls and boys develop hair on their sex organs TRUE

7. Adolescents are people who are moody and have spots - FALSE

8. All girls develop big breasts during puberty - FALSE

9. Everybody goes through puberty - TRUE

# Thank you

