



## Abortion At 9 Months Of Pregnancy Isn't A Thing, Making Trump's Rhetoric Wrong & Dangerous

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During Wednesday night's third and final presidential debate, the candidates discussed their thoughts on one of the most divisive topics in our country: abortion. While Democratic candidate Hillary Clinton defended women's rights to an abortion, Republican nominee Donald Trump called her out for supporting late-term abortion. At one point during their conversation, Trump claimed that Clinton supports aborting a fetus as late as during the ninth month of pregnancy. But here's the thing: [abortion at nine months pregnant isn't a thing](#).

Trump, who said he wished to eliminate *Roe v. Wade*, made the claim that Clinton supports abortions "days" before a baby is due, according to Vox:

If you go with what Hillary is saying, in the ninth month you can take the baby and rip the baby out of the womb of the mother just prior to the birth of the baby. Now, you can say that that's okay, and Hillary can say that that's okay, but it's not okay with me. Nobody has business doing what I just said. Doing that as late as one or two or three or four days prior to birth. Nobody has that.

By talking about "nine-month abortions," Trump has shown his lack of knowledge about late-term abortion — not great when you consider the fact that, should he become president, it will affect the ability of women across the nation who face such an important and painful decision.



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There is no such thing as a ninth month abortion - I'm a doctor who trained in late term abortions [#debate2016](#)

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A baby is considered "full-term" at 39 weeks pregnant. The vast **majority of abortions** occur during the first 13 weeks of pregnancy: 91 percent, according to the CDC. Late-term abortions, which occur after the 20-week mark of pregnancy, make up just 1.3 percent of all abortions. Most women who make the difficult choice to have a **late-term abortion** did not have the option any earlier, according to Slate. This is because the comprehensive fetal testing that can find severe birth defects, such as heart defects and abnormal development of the nervous system, is typically performed around the 20th week of pregnancy.

**Options for abortion after the 24th week** are extremely limited in most of the country, and are almost always for medical reasons. In 80 percent of cases, **late-term abortions** are necessary because of birth defects, according to the Huffington Post. The other major reason why women have late-term abortions is because their life is in danger.

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Clinton corrected Trump by saying his description of late-term abortions is "not what happens," and called his words "scare rhetoric," according to ABC News.

She discussed her encounters with women who've had abortions and defended a woman's right to choose, ABC News:

The kinds of cases that fall at the end of pregnancy are often the most heart breaking, painful decisions for families to make. I have met with women who have, toward the end of their pregnancy, get worst news one can get—that their health is in jeopardy if they continue to carry to term, or that something terrible has happened or just been discovered about the pregnancy. I do not think the United States government should be stepping in and making those most personal of decisions. so you can regulate if you are doing so with the life and the health of the mother taken into account.



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REMINDER: removing a fetus from the womb "two or three or four days before birth" is A C SECTION NOT AN [#ABORTION](#).  
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Trump isn't the only one at the debate who painted an inaccurate portrait of what late-term abortions look like, though. Moderator Chris Wallace brought the topic of abortion up by questioning Clinton on why she's defended "late-term, partial birth" abortions, suggesting the two are related.

But a partial birth is **not related to late-term abortion**, making the question misleading. Partial-birth abortion is an inflammatory political term used by people who are anti-abortion to describe late-term abortion. In no abortion is the fetus as all alive, thus it isn't a "birth." A birth in the ninth month of pregnancy would be called an emergency C-section.

If anything, the debate was an indicator that the politicians who are in charge of making decisions regarding something as sensitive as abortion need to have a greater understanding of the topic first.



# 15 Baby Names With Unique Nicknames, So Your Family Has Options

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I love a good diminutive name, also known as a nickname. I believe I'm partial to them because of my own name, Abigale, but I go by Abi. And since they're both uniquely spelled, everyone thinks my name is pronounced Ah-bee for some reason — but even still, I do like nicknames. My husband, Greg (Gregory) does, too, and I think that had a little bit to do with why we named our son Jackson, but he will go by Jack. If you love names with a diminutive, too, check out these [baby names with the most unique nicknames](#).

A name with a unique nickname can definitely come in handy, whether your kid is like me and decided to go by their full name when they "grew up and went to middle school," and also for you as a parent. Nothing gets your kid's attention quite like using their full name instead of their nickname. I knew I was in deep you-know-what when my mom or dad would yell, "Abigale!" instead of Abi. And while the nickname from my full name isn't really one that's super unique and unheard of, there are quite a few to get your creative juices going if you want to pick out a really fun and unique name and nickname for your baby.

## 1. Matilda (Tilly, Maddie)

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How cool would it be to name your kid after the best book and movie of all time? Not only is Matilda an adorable name on it's own, but Tilly is definitely unique, and Maddie is just too darn cute.

Matilda comes from the Germanic name "Mahthildis, which means "**strength in battle**," according to Behind the Name.

## 2. Phoebe (Bea)

While Phoebe is unique on its own, who doesn't love the name Bea? Plus, Bea Arthur was one of the best actress/comediennes ever, and who wouldn't want to pay homage to that? She'd be (BEA) proud. Plus, according to Behind the Name, **Phoebe means bright and pure.**

### 3. Victoria (Tori, Vicky)

Victoria is such a classic, pretty name, and Vicky and Tori just sound really hip and cool. Your kid may not be the next Spice Girl, but at least her name and nicknames will make her fabulous for sure. Victoria is also the **feminine form of the name "Victorius"** and was "born by a 4th century saint and martyr from North Africa," according to Behind the Name. That sounds pretty baller, right?

## 4. Margaret (Maggie, Greta, May, Molly)

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Margaret is a classic and Behind the Name noted that it means "pearl," and is derived from the Latin "Margarita." For nicknames, Greta is a pretty unique name you never hear anymore, and Maggie is such a cute name for a little girl, even for when she's older. Maggie Smith approves, clearly.

## 5. Alexander (Xander, Alex, Al)



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Even if you weren't a fan of the series *Buffy the Vampire Slayer*, Xander is a really cool nickname from Alexander. It sounds like he'd play in a rock band while simultaneously slaying bad guys, right? [Alexander means, "defending men,"](#) according to Behind the Name, too. How fitting for a bad guy slayer.

## 6. Theodore (Theo, Teddy)

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Teddy is just the sweetest name for a little boy. And the two guys named Theo that I knew in middle school were just the coolest of the cool. I love it when classic names like Theodore can have really hip nicknames. Plus, **Theodore means "gift from God,"** according to Behind the Name, and that's pretty special.

## 7. Amelia or Amelie (Amy, Mia, Milly, Mimi)

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Amelia or Amelie are really unique and creative names on their own, but you definitely can't go wrong with nicknames like Mia, Milly, Mimi, or even classic Amy. According to Behind the Name, Amelia "became popular in England after the German House of Hanover came to the British throne in the 18th century — it was borne by daughters of George II and George III." Pretty regal, eh?

## 8. Rosemary (Rosie, Rose)

"Rose, like the lines of seats in a theater," as Rose Nylund from *The Golden Girls* would explain her name. Or, you know, like the flower. Rosemary is a very traditional and quite beautiful name, but Rose and Rosie are timeless classics, too. So you can't really go wrong with this choice.

According to Behind the Name, **Rosemary is either a combination of Rose and Mary**, or it is "given in reference to the herb, "which gets its name from Latin *ros marinus* meaning 'dew of the sea.' It came into use as a given name in the 19th century.

## 9. Josephine (Josie, Jo)

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I love, love, love this name. My husband's grandma's name is Josephine, and we were going to name our kid that if we had a daughter. It totally would've worked out, too, because Jo March is my favorite literary character of all time. We were hoping she'd go by Jo, or Josie Faye (with Faye being my grandmother's name).

Turns out, there's [no actual "meaning" for the name Josephine](#), but it is English, German and Dutch, according to Behind the Name.

## 10. Augustus (Gus, Angus)

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Can we have a moment of silence for Augustus (Gus) Waters from *The Fault in Our Stars* by John Green? Saddest novel ever. But the nickname Gus is so cute, I think you have to overlook any sad memories associated with the name. It's also a pretty strong name — [Augustus means great or "venerable,"](#) according to Behind the Name.

## 11. Ashton (Ash, Asher)

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Ash and Asher are very popular names right now, and Ashton is always a good choice. The name somehow seems modern while simultaneously classic. And perhaps your son will be as cute as Ashton Kutcher when he grows up? Hopefully without the punking people part.

According to Behind the Name, Ashton comes from a surname, "which was originally derived from a place name which meant '[ash tree town](#)' in Old English."

## 12. Callum (Cal)

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Hopefully enough time has passed since *Titanic* premiered that we forget how much of a jerk face Cal was in the movie. Not all Cals are jerks, though. Take Cal Ripken for example. And Callum is apparently a very trendy name right now, so there you have it. Behind the Name said [Callum is Scottish](#), and is Colin or Coleman in English.

### 13. Dashiell (Dash)

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Dashiell is a cool name on its own, but Dash is even cooler. Maybe he'll be star of the track team or football team? Or even a kid super hero? It will be a fitting nickname for when he's a toddler and you can't keep up with him, I'm sure.

Dashiell is categorized as a "rare" name on Behind the Name, and apparently there's an American author named Dashiell Hammet. His name "is an Anglicized form of his mother's surname, De Chiel, which is unknown of meaning."

## 14. Maxwell (Max)

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Maxwell is one of the classiest guy names ever. Will he live in a mansion with three kids, a butler, and a Nanny named Fran from Flushing, Queens one day? I don't know, but Max is an adorable nickname. Maxwell comes from a "Scottish surname meaning 'Mack's stream,'" according to Behind the Name. Hey, Mack is a cute nickname, too.

## 15. Ezekiel (Zeke)

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This biblical name turns effortlessly cool when it's shortened to Zeke. **Ezekiel means "God strengthens"** according to Behind the Name, and that's a pretty good place to start if you like biblical references. I remember my best friend in first grade being obsessed with a boy in our class named Zeke, and she loved him all the way through elementary school because he was such a character. Maybe your Zeke will be a character, too.

Picking baby names can be fun, and picking out really cool nicknames for them to have is even better. Good luck picking and congratulations on your new addition.

