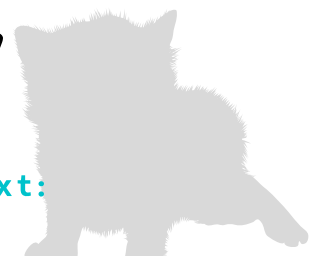


leave them be!



Found kittens? Here's what to do next:

Estimate the kittens' ages by what they look like

0-2 weeks



Eyes still closed or just beginning to open. Kitten is not moving much.

3-4 weeks



Eyes open and blue. Ears curled over. Pointy tails. Starting to scoot around.

5-8 weeks



Eye color changing. Ears up. Kitten is moving around but may be wobbly. Very talkative.

9-12 weeks



Ears are up. Kitten is playing & running. Mom may bring them solid food or prey now.

Leave them alone!

A mama cat does not stay in the nest when her babies sleep. Mom will leave to eat and watch kittens from a distance. She will return on her own. If you hover, mom will not return. Leave the nest alone.

Recheck after 6 hours.

Did mom come back?

yes You may not see mom, but kittens will be in different positions, warm and breathing.

no

Are the kittens friendly and able to be touched?

yes / no

Are you willing to take full responsibility for these kittens?

yes / no

Follow proper care instructions and take them to the vet right away for a check up. Get kittens spayed or neutered when old enough (about 3 months).

Oh! That sounds like a lot of work. I would rather find them an appropriate foster home.

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