





**Question:** How many infants did B.F. Skinner put in a baby box?

**Answer:** One.

*Source:* University of California, Davis Campus; Psychology Department Video Collection.

*Fun Facts:* B.F. Skinner, the famous behavioral psychologist, was married and had two daughters. In 1943, when his wife was pregnant with their second, Skinner designed the “baby box.” He was attempting to make life easier by keeping the baby in an environment that would be clean, warm and healthy, and would prevent problems such as diaper rash and cradle cap. Many people understood Skinner to be advocating keeping the child in the box at all times, and accused him of child abuse. The idea of the baby box remains controversial, but Skinner himself was a loving father who is fondly remembered by his daughters.