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Couples to deal with rented babies on reality show

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HAGUE: Love will face its ultimate test on an upcoming Dutch reality show in which four amorous couples are forced to deal with a rented baby, child and adolescent during eight televised episodes.

"During the first episode, we'll get to know the couples and the tension will rise immediately," Dutch public broadcasting station *BNN* said about the new show, *Baby for Hire* .

"From the second (episode), they will realise how taking care of a baby 24 hours a day turns life upside down." Over three weeks of impromptu parenthood in which the most intense moments will be distilled into eight televised episodes, *BNN* aims to cover every detail in the life of a couple.

From piles of undone laundry to burnt saucepan bottoms to the teenage son who brings home a new girlfriend each night, nothing will be spared, the station promised. That includes pregnancy: the women on the show will feel truly 'with child' according to *BNN* .

The lovebirds starring in the show are aged between 17 and 20 years and include one lesbian couple.

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