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# Breeders Competency Package

## UNIT THREE: WHELPING THE LITTER

Tick the box that corresponds with the correct answer for the following questions.

Q1 What equipment will you need to have ready before your bitch whelps?

- A. A whelping box that is easily cleaned and of a suitable size
- B. Hot Water Bottles
- C. Set of Scales
- D. All of the Above

Q2 Signs that your bitch might be going to Whelp include?

- A. Vomiting
- B. Digging and circling
- C. Contractions of the Abdomen
- D. All of the Above

Q3 When should you get concerned that there might be problems?

- A. When you can see part of a puppy at the bitch's vulva and after 15 minutes she has not managed to push it out
- B. If she has a contraction and no puppy appears
- C. If she stops to have a drink and some food
- D. She is having her pups at night

Q4 How will you know when your bitch is finished having pups?

- A. She has some food and drink
- B. She falls asleep
- C. She stops contracting
- D. You cannot feel any more pups and she seems settled

Q5 What should you do when you think the bitch is finished?

- A. Take her out to the toilet on lead
- B. Give her a clean and dry her well
- C. Clean out the soiled bedding and replace it
- D. All of the above

Q6 Who should see the pups in the first 24 hours?

- A. Only you, no one else
- B. Your vet – for a post-whelping check
- C. All your friends
- D. Your extended family

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