

## Breeder Education - Prefix Examination

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Name			
Address			
Suburb		Postcode	
Email			
Membership number		Date Joined	
Breed			
Registration # of your Main Register Bitch			
For Interstate transfer – <b>Current registered prefix</b>			Required to submit section A <b>only</b>
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Signature			
<b>OFFICE USE ONLY</b>			
Date received		Date Marked	
Section A Mark			If less than 100% - <b>fail</b>
Section B Mark			If less than 90% - <b>fail</b>
Feedback for candidate			

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# IMPORTANT INFORMATION AND ADVICE FOR THE COMPLETION OF THIS EXAM

Please note the following DOGS WEST Regulations:

## **RO1 PREFIX**

**1.1.** Only financial members of an ANKC Ltd Member Body may hold a prefix.

**1.2.** After twelve (12) months of membership of an ANKC Ltd member body, upon payment of the applicable fee, a member who owns a main registered bitch may apply for the registration or transfer of a prefix.

**1.2.1.** Application must be accompanied by a completed Open Book Examination based on the current ANKC Guidelines for Breeders and relevant regulations. This does not apply when a member already holds a current prefix.

**1.2.2.** The applicant must obtain a pass mark in the prefix exam before any prefix is allocated.

**1.2.3.** Where the applicant has been a member for twelve (12) months with an ANKC Ltd member body and already holds a prefix, they must obtain a pass mark in the Breeders Education Prefix Exam – Part A only – before the prefix is transferred from the other member body. (08/18)

**1.2.4.** Only one prefix may be applied for and maintained by a membership.

**1.3.** A junior member can only hold a prefix in conjunction with an ordinary member. When a junior moves to ordinary membership they must pass the prefix exam before the prefix can be renewed.

## **A88 EDUCATION**

### **88.1 Plagiarism, Self-Plagiarism And Collusion**

A member shall not initiate or engage in plagiarism or collusion.

Plagiarism is the representation of another's language, thoughts, ideas, or expressions as one's own original work.

Examples of forms of plagiarism include:

- the verbatim (word for word) copying of another's work without appropriate and correctly presented acknowledgement;
- the close paraphrasing of another's work by simply changing a few words or altering the order of presentation, with or without appropriate and correctly presented acknowledgement;
- unacknowledged quotation of phrases from another's work;
- the presentation of another's concept as one's own; Collusion (including contract cheating) is where work is prepared or produced with or by others but then submitted for assessment as if it were the product of individual effort. Unless specifically instructed otherwise, all submissions for assessment must be a member's own work.

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**88.2** All items submitted by a member for assessment must contain the following declaration: Declaration By submitting this work, I declare it is completely my own work, and any material taken from another source has been cited

### **Before you start the exam**

Before you can mate your bitch, you must have your registered prefix in place. It might take several attempts and some time for you to pass the exam, so you need to plan ahead. You can start the exam at any time. There is no time limit for completion, however before you can submit your exam for marking you must satisfy **RO1.1 and RO1.2** always access the exam directly via the Dogs West Website to ensure that you are using the most up to date version of the exam. Do not "Google" or use any other search engine as this may bring up previous outdated versions.

You must fully complete and sign the Form on Page 1.

### **Getting Started**

**The exam is Open Book** and is in two parts

Section A requires a pass mark of 100%

Section B requires a pass mark of 90%

All relevant Rules and Regulations should be accessed via the links given for the Breeders Education Prefix Exam on the Dogs West site or directly from the ANKC website, to ensure that you are using the most current versions. Dogs West and ANKC regulations change from time to time and this may mean that the Questions in Section A will need to be revised accordingly.



## **For Section A**

All answers can be found in

- **CAWA Regulations Section H, 'Code Of Ethics';**
- **CAWA Regulations Section R, 'The Register and Registration**
- **ANKC Ltd Regulations Part 6, The Register & Registration**

These should only be accessed via the links given for the Breeders Education Prefix Exam on the Dogs West site or directly from the Dogs Australia website.

Do not interpret the Regulations, in other words don't write an answer saying what you think the regulation means.

State the regulation number and select the relevant portion of the Regulation to use for your answer. (eg **R01 PREFIX 1.1**. Only financial members of an ANKC Ltd Member Body may hold a prefix).

Each Question refers to only ONE regulation. Do not use multiple regulations to answer one question. If a Question has several parts, it still can only be answered using just ONE regulation.

## **For Section B**

To answer the questions in this section, you may use your own knowledge, ANKC Ltd Guidelines For Breeders, any of the supplied Recommended Reading List or by speaking to an experienced breeder.

*Always be aware of Regulation A88 and acknowledge or cite the source of any verbatim written text answers that you may give.*

## **Before you submit your exam**

When you have completed the exam, please check it through thoroughly. Check again that you are still using the most current form of the exam sourced directly from the Dogs West site.

Make sure that ALL questions in Section A have been answered **including the Litter Registration Form required for question 47**.

Make sure that the Front page is fully completed and that you have signed the acknowledgment.

Save a copy of your exam before you submit it.

## **Finished?**

You can lodge your exam via email or you can post it to Dogs West. Your exam must be lodged with a Prefix Application Form and the appropriate application fee paid.

You will receive your mark within one Calendar month of receipt with Dogs West.

## **Important**

Plan carefully, it might take some time for you to pass the exam and it may also take some time for your prefix to be approved once you have achieved a pass in the exam. Allow one Calendar month per exam submission and a further 15 to 20 business days for your prefix approval. Under no circumstances are you authorised to breed a litter prior to registration of your Prefix.

## **Struggling?**

If you fail numerous times we may offer you a Mentor to help you. If you wish to have a Mentor appointed, please contact Dogs West via email. If the Examiners believe that you are in genuine need of this service it can be organized for you.

## **Further Recommended Reading**

**Canine Reproduction and Whelping: A Dog Breeder's Guide** Paperback – January 1, 2006 by Myra Savant-Harris  
**Puppy Intensive Care: A Breeder's Guide to Care of Newborn Puppies** Paperback – December 5, 2005 by Myra Savant-Harris

**Canine Reproduction: The Breeder's Guide** 2nd Edition by Phyllis A. Holst



# Section A – This section requires a 100% pass mark

1.

a) What is the primary purpose for breeding registered purebred dogs? (1mark)

i.

b) What is **NOT** the primary purpose for breeding registered purebred dogs? (1 mark)

i.

2. What is the **minimum** age that a bitch must have attained before she is mated for the first time? (1 mark)

i.

3. How many litters is a bitch permitted to have in any 18 month period? (1 mark)

i.

4. How many litters is a bitch ordinarily permitted to have in her life-time? (1 mark)

i.

5. Once the accepted maximum number of litters has been reached do the Dogs West Regulations allow for a breeder to apply for permission to breed another litter? (1 mark)

i.



6. Who is responsible for verifying the number of litters that a bitch has had in total? (1 mark)

i.	
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7. A breeder must have their prefix in place before they can register a litter. At which important time points must a breeder hold a current prefix? (3 marks)

i.	
ii.	
iii.	

8. Without prior approval from the Association, a member is not permitted to allow their ANKC Pure Bred Registered dogs to be used in any mating which would result in a litter being ineligible for registration on the ANKC Register. Which five situations does the relevant regulation describe? (5 marks)

i.	
ii.	
iii.	
iv.	
v.	



9A. When a member sells a dog to any person residing in an overseas country known to be involved in the utilization of dogs for the meat trade, what must that member first ensure about the person purchasing the dog? (1 mark)

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9B. What must the member and purchaser further acknowledge in writing to the member's Member Body? (1 mark)

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10. A member shall not mate a bitch over what age? (1 mark)

i.	
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11. Under extenuating circumstances a breeder may apply to DogsWest for permission to mate a bitch over the **maximum** age. What must be included with such an application? (3 marks)

i.	
ii.	
iii.	

12. When must permission for this litter be obtained? (1 mark)

i.	
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13. For how long is that permission valid? (1 mark)

i.	
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14. Must a breeder take responsible action to reduce the incidence of inherited diseases in their breed? (1 mark)

YES	NO	
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15. What is the minimum age that a puppy can:

- a) Leave the breeder's care within Australia? (1 mark)

i.	
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- b) Be exported to another country? (2 marks)

i.	
ii.	

16. Before a dog or puppy leaves a breeder's care, what must the breeder ensure has been done to that dog or puppy. (2 Marks)

i.	
ii.	



17. What must a breeder ensure about any person who acquires one of their dogs/puppies? (5 marks)

i.	
ii.	
iii.	
iv.	
v.	

18. Once a dog/puppy leaves their care, what are the expectations upon a breeder in regard to the new owners? (3 marks)

i.	
ii.	
iii.	

19. What percentage of puppies in a litter must be registered? (1 mark)

i.	
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20. Briefly state the written details that a breeder needs to provide to a person who obtains a puppy or dog from that breeder. (6 marks)

i.	
ii.	
iii.	
iv.	
v.	
vi.	





21. What clear statement must appear on a receipt for a puppy/dog leaving your care?  
(1 mark)

i.	
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22. Which 3 diseases must the breeder of a litter vaccinate puppies against prior to sale?  
(3 marks)

i.	
ii.	
iii.	

23. If a breeder places a dog/puppy with a known health issue or disability what must that breeder obtain from the recipient? (1 mark)

i.	
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24. When advertising puppies in any media what must a DogsWest registered breeder include as part of the advertisement? (2 marks)

i.	
ii.	



25. As a DogsWest registered breeder, when selling or rehoming puppies or dogs, what avenues of sale, advertising or disposal are NOT permitted to be used? (5 marks)

i.	
ii.	
iii.	
iv.	
v.	

26. According to the Dogswest code of ethics when selling, rehoming or otherwise disposing of a dog or puppy, whose responsibility is it to ensure that the microchip details are transferred to the new owner? (1 mark)

i.	
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27. Before a breeder can register a litter, what important requirements must be fulfilled by the owner of the **SIRE** of the litter? (2 marks)

i.	
ii.	

28. Must ALL litters bred by a DogsWest member be registered? (1 mark)

YES	NO
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29. Can a breeder register some pups from a litter at one time and then others from the same litter later on? (1 mark)

YES	NO
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30. What is the permitted time frame for registration of a litter without incurring a late registration fee? (1 mark)

i.	
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31. No litter will be accepted for registration after what age? (1 mark)

i.	
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32. When applying to register a litter how is the date of birth of the whole litter determined? (1 mark)

i.	
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33. Including the breeder's prefix what is the maximum number of letters and spaces that can be used for a puppy's registered name? (1 mark)

i.	
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34. Using the Dogswest regulations for Naming dogs, mark the following statements as either True or False. (2 marks)

		True or False	
i.	Breeders registered prefix must be included as the first part of the dogs name		
ii.	The dogs name does <b>not</b> have to be unique for that breeder		

35. When registering a puppy what cannot be used as part of its name? (6 marks)

i.	
ii.	
iii.	
iv.	
v.	
vi.	

36. Puppies are registered on either Main or Limited Register.

a) Main register is available to dogs which fulfil which criteria? (1 mark)

i.	
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b) Limited register is available to dogs where the breeder has determined which conditions apply? (5 marks)

i.	
ii.	
iii.	
iv.	
v.	



37. A dog or puppy may be transferred from Main register to Limited or from Limited to Main, subject to certain conditions and procedures.

a) In regard to a transfer from Limited to Main who must sign the written application?(2 marks)

i.	
ii.	

b) In regard to a transfer from Main to Limited, who must sign the written application? (1 mark)

i.	
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38. How many times can a dog be transferred from Main Register to Limited Register ? ? (1 mark)

i.	
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39. If the ownership of a dog is to be transferred to another person, within how many days after the sale must the transfer application be lodged with DogsWest ? (1 mark)

i.	
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40. Who is responsible for the full completion of the transfer form? (1 mark)

i.	
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41. If a bitch is mated to two different dogs at the same oestrus, what documentation must the breeder provide to DogsWest in order to register the pups from her litter? (4 marks)

i.	
ii.	
iii.	
iv.	

42. When must this documentation be provided? (1 mark)

i.	
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43. What written records are required to be kept by a registered breeder? (8 marks)

i.	
ii.	
iii.	
iv.	
v.	
vi.	
vii.	
viii.	

44. Name the three combinations that are considered to be first generation matings. (3 marks)

i.	
ii.	
iii.	



45. In accordance with the relevant regulation protocol, what is the **minimum required** information that needs to be included in an application for approval of a First Degree mating.? (3 marks)

i.	
ii.	
iii.	

46. When must the application for approval of a first generation mating be submitted? (1 mark)

i.	
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47. Complete the litter registration form [Part 1](#) and [Part 2](#) using either your own dogs' names

**This question is worth 20 marks**

**(If you do not have the required information, please indicate how you would comply)**

I will provide the following information: h

I will provide the following information: h

u ( ) # v ) †  
h

End of Section A



# Section B

## Hereditary Diseases

48. The ANKC Code of Practice for Hereditary Diseases has three main thrusts. What are they? (3 marks)

i.	
ii.	
iii.	

49. State briefly why a breeder should be concerned about hereditary diseases (3 marks)

i.	
ii.	
iii.	





50. What steps should a member take to ensure that they will not be the breeder of puppies affected by inherited diseases? (5 marks)

i.	
ii.	
iii.	
iv.	
v.	

51. Should a breeder inform prospective puppy purchasers about hereditary problems in their breed? (1 mark)

YES	NO
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52. Should a breeder mate a dog and a bitch with the same genetic faults? (1 mark)

YES	NO
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## The Brood Bitch

53. Before a bitch is mated what important aspects of her health must be attended to?  
(3 marks)

i.	
ii.	
iii.	

54. What is the gestation period (length of pregnancy) in dogs? (1 mark)

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55. Which of the following major features must be present in a bitch that you are going to breed from? (Select all applicable) (4 marks)

A well-adjusted temperament	
Hereditary disease tested	
In good health	
Of good quality in accordance with the breed standard	

56. What proportion of the pups' genetic material is derived from their mother?  
(1 mark)

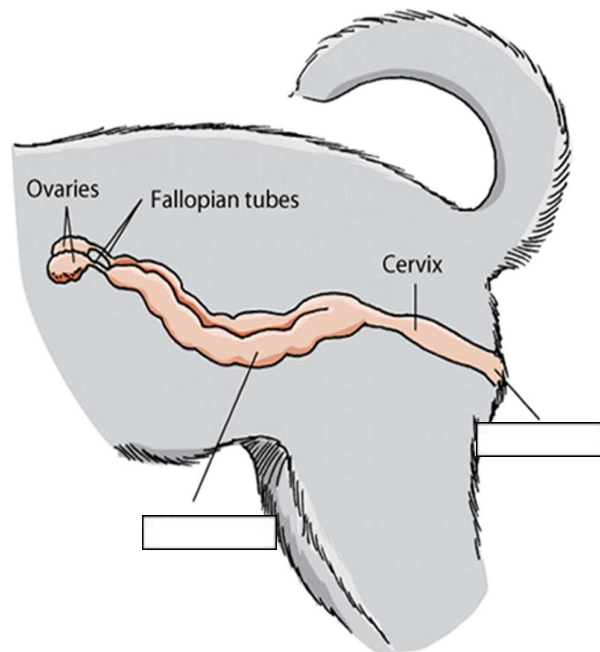
50%	
75%	
All	
None	



57. Why does the brood bitch have more overall influence on her puppies than the sire?  
(4 marks)

i.	
ii.	
iii.	
iv.	

58. Complete the two missing labels on the drawing of Female dog anatomy below  
(2 marks)

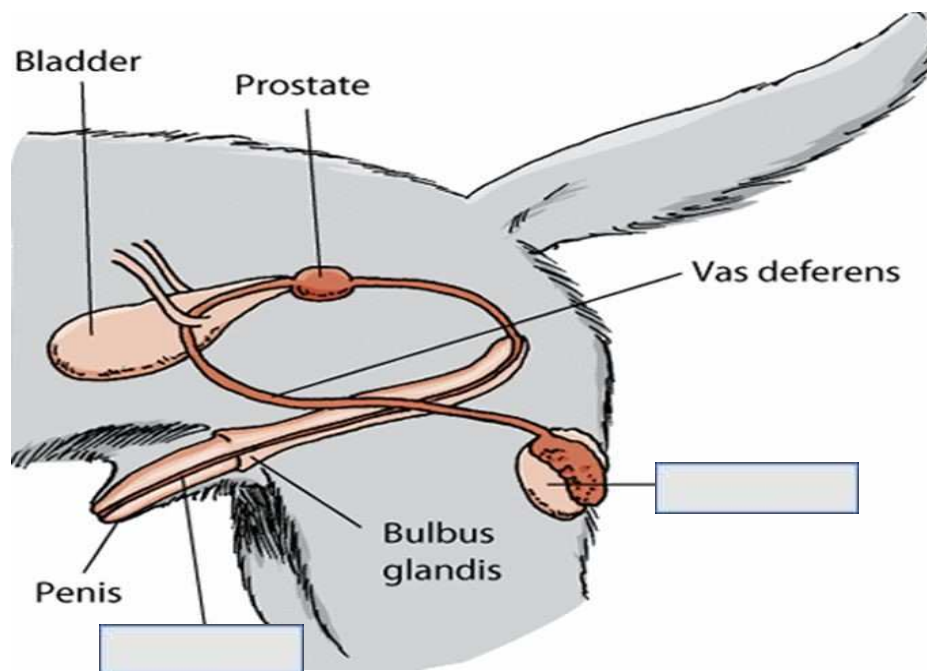


# The Stud Dog

59. Which of the following major features must be present in a dog that you are going to use at stud? (Select all applicable) (4 marks)

A well-adjusted temperament	<input type="checkbox"/>	
Hereditary disease tested	<input type="checkbox"/>	
Of good quality in accordance with the breed standard	<input type="checkbox"/>	
Have two normal, fully descended testicles	<input type="checkbox"/>	

60. Complete the two missing labels on the drawing of Male dog anatomy below (2 marks)



# Conception, Pregnancy & Whelping

61. What indicates your bitch is in season? (Select all applicable) (2 marks)

Swelling of the vulva .	<input type="checkbox"/>	
The bitch is licking her vulva more than normal.	<input type="checkbox"/>	
There is a blood tinged discharge from the vulva.	<input type="checkbox"/>	

62. Should you keep your bitch fit during pregnancy? (1 mark)

YES	NO	
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63. Should you breed an obese or unfit bitch? (1 mark)

YES	NO	
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64. Should you breed a dog or bitch with an aggressive temperament? (1 mark)

YES	NO	
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65. A maiden bitch is best mated to an inexperienced dog. (1 mark)

YES	NO	
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66. What is the average lapse of time between a bitch first coming into season and mating? (1 mark)

i.	
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67. Describe nine important points of a well-designed whelping box (draw if preferred and add nine labels) (9 marks)

i.	
ii.	
iii.	
iv.	
v.	
vi.	
vii.	
viii.	
ix.	

68. There are three stages of labour. Name 5 signs of the first stage that might be observed. (5 marks)

i.	
ii.	
iii.	
iv.	
v.	



69. During which stage are puppies born (1 mark)

i.	
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70. When a puppy is born with the sac intact what must you quickly make sure is done? (1 mark)

i.	
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71. When newborn puppies suckle what hormone is released by the mother in response? (1 mark)

i.	
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72. What two important processes does this hormone stimulate at the time? (2 marks)

i.	
ii.	

73. How long (in hours) should you allow your bitch to labour over the birth of a puppy before calling the Vet:

a) For the first puppy? (1 mark)

i.	
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b) For subsequent puppies? (1 mark)

i.	
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74. Should bitches be allowed to eat placentas? (1 mark)

i.	
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75. What is the name given to the specialised type of milk that is produced in the first 24 hours after whelping (1 mark)

i.	
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76. This special type of milk is vital to the survival of newborn pups. What important substance does it contain? (1 mark)

i.	
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77. The absorption of this important substance provides what to the pups? (1 mark)

i.	
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78. While feeding her puppies a bitch will require large amounts of good quality, balanced food. Give three reasons for this. (3 marks)

i.	
ii.	
iii.	





## Weaning, Selection and Sale of Puppies

79. At what age do puppies teeth begin to erupt? (1 mark)

i.	
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80. At what age should weaning commence? (1 mark)

i.	
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81. At what age should worming of the puppies first take place? (2 mark)

i.	
ii.	

82. How frequently should puppies be wormed in the first 8 weeks of life? (1 mark)

i.	
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83. When should you start socializing your puppies? (1 mark)

i.	
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84. What are some of the things you can do to socialize puppies before they leave home? (3 marks)

i.	
ii.	
iii.	



85. What is the current The World Small Animal Veterinary Association (WSAVA) recommended protocol for vaccinating puppies? (1 mark) Refer to [www.wsava.org](http://www.wsava.org)

a. Vaccinations with the three core canine vaccines (CDV, CPV-2 and CAV-2) should not begin earlier than 6 weeks of age and if the puppies are to remain with the breeder until they are 8–10 weeks or older, it is normally recommended that vaccination begin at 8–9 weeks rather than 6 weeks. Revaccination should be 2– 4 weeks later with a final vaccination given when the pups are 16 weeks of age or older.		
b. Vaccinations with the three core canine vaccines (CDV, CPV-2 and CAV-2) should been given at 6 weeks no further vaccinations are required.		
c. Vaccinations with the three core canine vaccines (CDV, CPV-2 and CAV-2) should not begin before 16 weeks of age.		

86. You have bred a submissive puppy. What is the best type of home to place this puppy? (1 mark)

A family with boisterous children		
A quiet retired couple		
A single person that works full time		

## End of Section B

