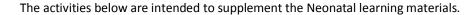
Newborn Infants Answer Sheet





Key topics include:

- · Plotting birthweight
- Assessing neonatal weight gain
- Calculating percentage weight loss

Activity 1

George, Mrs. A's first baby was born by forceps delivery at 42 weeks. His birthweight was 4.001 kg. Mrs A has exclusively breastfed George who is described as a contented baby.

The midwife weighed George at 7 days of age and his weight was 3.596 kg.

		Answers:
1.	What was the weight centile at birth?	75-91 st – should be plotted at age 0 not on preterm section
2.	How much weight has George lost?	Weight loss = 405g.
3.	Calculate his percentage weight loss.	Weight loss ÷ birthweight X 100 = 10.1%
4.	What should the midwife do now?	Observe feeding and consider asking GP to examine.

The health visitor made her first visit at 2-weeks of age when George's weight was 3.810 Kg.

		Answers:
5.	Has he regained his birthweight?	No
6.	How much weight has George gained since last week?	Weight gain = 214g
7.	How much lower is George's weight now compared	
	to that at birth?	Weight loss = 191g
8.	Calculate his net percentage weight loss from birth.	Weight loss ÷ birthweight X 100 = 4.8%