Chapter 15 - Lesson 9
Weaning Calves

Questions

1. At what age should calves be weaned? Foals? Pigs? Lambs and kids?

2. Where should newly weaned calves be placed and what should they be given to eat and drink?

3. If you are assigned to inspect a group of weaned calves, what signs would you be looking for to identify a calf with the BRD complex?

4. You have a pen with 35 calves each weighing an average of 375 pounds.
   a. How much of a 14 % protein feed should you put in the trough for these calves on the first day of weaning? (Show your calculations!)
   b. How much feed per day should they be gradually increased to 1 week after weaning? (Show your calculations!)

5. What is preconditioning? Backgrounding?