

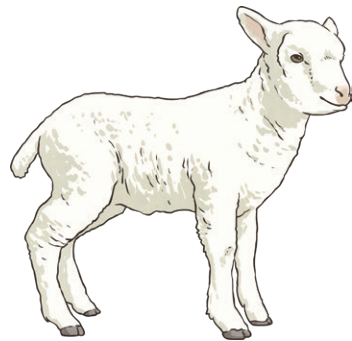
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Quick Questions

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Quick Questions Answers

1. What is happening to Betty?
Accept answers which refer to Betty giving birth, such as: Betty is about to have a lamb; Betty is going to have a baby.
2. ...she'd follow you to the end of the world.
Why has the author used this phrase?
Accept answers which refer to the dandelions, such as: To show how much Betty likes dandelions; To show that she would do anything for dandelions.
3. Find and copy one word which means 'weak'.
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4. Why is Grandad making a bed of straw?
Explain any answer which explains that it is so that the author can lie with Betty/reassure her.