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## How Do Hippopotamuses Reproduce?

### Short Answer Key

1. Male hippos compete to win the attention of a female for mating.
2. The mother helps the calf reach the surface to take its first breath.
3. Hippos nurse their calves for several months.
4. Shallow water provides safety and makes it easier for the mother to help the calf.
5. Hippos live in pods where females help watch over each other's calves.

