# Positions To Ease Labor Pain

## For The First Stage Of Labor

#### The birthing ball position

#### **Benefits**

- Relieves back pain and provides support
- Facilitates cervical dilation to guide the baby into the pelvis



#### Drawback

\* You may need someone to help you maintain balance

### The squatting position

#### Benefits

- Opens up the pelvis by 2cm
- Shifts your weight to make you comfortable



#### Drawback

It may be tiring

## For The Second Stage Of Labor

## The kneeling birth position

#### Benefits

- Makes contractions less painful
- Helps with backaches



## Drawback

Fetal heart monitoring may become difficult

## Laboring in a tub

## Benefits

- \* Speeds up labor
- Relieves pain during slow labor



## Drawback \* Need a Doula's help



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