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## NURSES BOARD, VICTORIA.

Nurses Acts.

### Examination in Surgical Nursing.

JULY, 1955.

*Time allowed: Three hours.*

**Important.**—Read the questions **carefully**, and **answer only what is asked**, as no marks will be given for irrelevant matter.

#### SECTION A.

Allow approximately 1 hour 15 minutes.

Only two questions to be answered.

1. A patient has been admitted to hospital for a prostatectomy.  
What investigations are carried out prior to operation?  
Discuss the post-operative management of this case and the possible complications. —[20 marks.]
2. A child of three years has just been admitted in a very shocked condition and suffering from burns of the face and hands.  
What immediate treatment is carried out?  
Discuss the subsequent nursing care of this child. —[20 marks.]
3. An elderly woman is admitted to the ward in an unconscious state as a result of a recent head injury.  
Describe the nursing management of this patient, mentioning the observations to be recorded and their significance. —[20 marks.]

#### SECTION B.

Allow approximately 1 hour 45 minutes.

Only FIVE questions to be answered.

1. How would you deal with the following emergencies:—  
(a) A man has fallen from a scaffold. He has not lost consciousness, but cannot move his legs.  
(b) A profuse nose bleed. —[12 marks.]
2. Describe how a patient is placed in the following positions and for what reasons they are used.  
(a) Trendelenberg.  
(b) Lithotomy.  
(c) Sim's. —[12 marks.]
3. What are the nursing measures adopted to prevent cross infection of wounds in hospital? —[12 marks.]
4. Discuss the nursing measures used to prevent post-operative chest complications. —[12 marks.]
5. Discuss the methods of administration of:—  
(a) Aureomycin.  
(b) Phenobarbital.  
(c) Lugol's Solution. —[12 marks.]
6. Define:—  
(a) Rectocele.  
(b) Hallux valgus.  
(c) Fistula.  
(d) Tetanus.  
(e) Dislocation.  
(f) Sinus. —[12 marks.]