

First Professional Examination

5TH AND 6TH DECEMBER, 1962

JUNIOR GENERAL NURSING PAPER

Time allowed: Two hours

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Important.—Read your questions very carefully.

Answer only what is asked as no marks will be given for irrelevant material.

All questions to be answered.

1. (a) What do you understand by:—
 - (i) Pulse. —[2 marks.]
 - (ii) Body temperature. —[2 marks.]
 - (b) Name four (4) sites where the pulse beat may be counted. —[4 marks.]
 - (c) What should the nurse observe regarding the pulse? —[3 marks.]
 - (d) What are the contra-indications for taking a temperature by mouth? —[6 marks.]
 - (e) What must be reported regarding the temperature and pulse rate? —[3 marks.]
- [20 marks.]
2. (a) What are the direct causes of pressure sores? —[3 marks.]
 - (b) Outline the nursing measures which may be adopted to prevent their occurrence. —[7 marks.]
- [10 marks.]
3. (a) What observations would you make of a patient's stool? —[5 marks.]
 - (b) Describe how you would collect a specimen of faeces for pathology examination. —[5 marks.]
- [10 marks.]
4. How would you, as a junior nurse, see that a patient, on fluids only, has adequate variety and nourishment? —[10 marks.]
5. (a) Why is care of the mouth important? —[3 marks.]
 - (b) Describe how this care is carried out in the case of an unconscious patient (setting of the tray is not required). —[9 marks.]
 - (c) List the main points in the care of the mouth of a convalescent patient. —[3 marks.]
- [15 marks.]
6. (a) What do you understand by the word Sterilization? —[1 mark.]
 - (b) What are the common methods used for sterilization? —[4 marks.]
 - (c) Describe briefly one method by which you would sterilize after use:—
 - (i) a pair of dissecting forceps;
 - (ii) a pair of surgical scissors.—[5 marks.]
- [10 marks.]
7. What are a nurse's ethical responsibilities towards:—
 - (a) the Patient;
 - (b) the Doctor.—[6 marks.]
8. Give the meaning of the following terms:—
 - (a) Dyspnoea. —[2 marks.]
 - (b) Cyanosis. —[2 marks.]
 - (c) Anuria. —[2 marks.]
 - (d) Haematemesis. —[2 marks.]
 - (e) Rigor. —[2 marks.]
- [10 marks.]
9. (a) A patient has just drunk a six (6) ounce cup of tea. How do you record this amount in millilitres? —[1 mark.]
 - (b) A man weighs eleven (11) stone. What is his approximate weight in kilogrammes? —[2 marks.]
 - (c) How many ounces are there in one (1) litre? —[1 mark.]
 - (d) How would you prepare two (2) litres of two per cent (2%) I used