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FIRST PROFESSIONAL EXAMINATION - GENERAL NURSE TRAINING

1st and 2nd December, 1965.

JUNIOR GENERAL NURSING THEORY PAPER

Time allowed: Two hours

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. An elderly, helpless patient is admitted to hospital.
 - (a) How would you greet him on arrival? (5 marks)
 - (b) Attend to his relatives? (5 marks)
 - (c) Attend to his possessions? (5 marks)
 - (d) This patient is to be nursed in bed for several weeks. How would you:-
 - (i) ensure his comfort; (9 marks)
 - (ii) prevent pressure sores appearing; (5 marks)
 - (iii) prevent deformity of the feet; (2 marks)
 - (iv) ensure he had adequate nourishment? (5 marks)

(36 marks)
2. The giving of simple medicines is an important task for the junior nurse.
 - (a) Enumerate the precautions you would take to ensure that the correct patient receives the correct medicine. (6 marks)
 - (b) What are your responsibilities when administering mixtures containing:-
 - (i) sediment; (4 marks)
 - (ii) iron. (4 marks)

(10 marks)
3. What must a nurse observe regarding:-
 - (a) pain; (3 marks)
 - (b) respiration; (3 marks)
 - (c) pulse? (3 marks)

(9 marks)
4. Define the following:-
 - (a) haemoptysis;
 - (b) diaphoresis;
 - (c) pyrexia;
 - (d) photophobia;
 - (e) oliguria. (5 marks)
5. How would you obtain the following:-
 - (a) a mid-stream specimen of urine for culture from a male patient; (6 marks)
 - (b) a specimen of sputum from a patient suspected to be suffering from pulmonary tuberculosis? (6 marks)

(12 marks)

Junior General Nursing Theory Paper continued:

6. A visitor to the ward has a fit.
How would you deal with this emergency? (8 marks)
7. (a) List nursing measures to induce sleep. (5 marks)
(b) List nursing measures to keep a patient cool on a hot night. (5 marks)
(10 marks)
8. (a) Express 4.5 grammes in milligrammes. (1 mark)
(b) How many millilitres equal one pint? (1 mark)
(c) Prepare $2\frac{1}{4}$ litres of chlorhexidine 2% from stock solution 50% (4 marks)
(d) On admission a patient weighed 13 stone 5 lb.; after several weeks he weighed 11 stone 11 lb. Express his loss in kilogrammes. (4 marks)
(10 marks)
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