



ED MOCK OSCE Station 1

PROMPT:

Mrs. Ellis, 38, has presented to ED for a headache. Please take a history.

Grading sheet for the facilitator

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	Points	Max Points
Introduction		
Introduce self (name and role)		1
Confirm patient details (Name/DOB)		1
Gain consent		1
Subtotal		3
History of Presenting Complaint		
Open question and follow up		2
Site - Right sided frontal and eye		1
Radiation - Nil		1
Severity - 10/10 and cant stand it, cant do anything		2
Character - Sharp, stabbing pain		1
Time course		
- sudden onset, gradual offset		1
- last 1 hour, 1x a day for last 3 days		3
- Not progressing		1
- Prior History similar last year around spring, 1x a day for 2 months not as severe - thought they were migraines		1
Context - Hay fever symptoms. Nil illness or trauma		1
Aggravating Factors		
- Nil known		2
- Not worse with bending over		
Relieving Factors		
- Use Panadol, mild relief (does not overuse)		2
- Avoiding stimulus, no change		
Associated Features		
- Unilateral Lacrimation and Conjunctivitis		1
- Rhinorrhea		1
- Stress, mild		1
- Transient Horner's syndrome (ptosis, constricted pupil, lack of perspiration)		1
		1

- Nil decreased consciousness		1
- Nil neurological deficits		1
- Nil Fever or rash		1
- Nil Neck stiffness		1
- Nil Sentinel Headache		1
- Nil Trauma		1
- Nil nausea/vomiting		1
- Nil jaw claudication		1
- Nil scalp/temporal tenderness		1
- Nil vision change, floaters, flashing light		1
- Nil eye pain/blurred vision		1
- Nil aura		1
- Nil photophobia		1
	Need at least 5	
Summarise		1
Patient Concerns and Address		2
	Subtotal	26
Past Medical History		
PMH		
- 2 Caesarians		1
- Hay fever		1
- Nil Medical History		
- Medication – Claratyne seasonally. Nil warfarin/anticoagulants		1
Allergy - Nil		1
Vaccination – Up to date		1
Family History		
- No neurological disease		1
- Mother, MI, 70		
- Father, Prostate CA, 75		
Lifestyle – smoker (5 daily), social alcohol, nil drugs		3
Social History – Admin/office work, 2 children		1
	Subtotal	10
Communication and overall impression		
Communication (poor/good/excellent)		3
Overall impression (fail/poor/good/excellent)		3

	Subtotal	6
QUESTIONS		
What are your top three differential diagnosis? - Cluster Headaches - Migraines - Tension Headache		3
What are three red flags you want to rule out? - Meningitis - SAH/ICH - Giant cell arteritis - Tumor - Acute Angle Closure Glaucoma		3
	Subtotal	6
	TOTAL	51