

Question 17 (8 marks)

2012 HSC - Human Services

Band 5/6

Sample 2 Question 17

Your neighbour has fallen from a ladder while cleaning a high window.

- (a) Describe the first aid management of this situation. 3

D = Check for any immediate danger that could hurt you.

R = check to see if the person can respond to you by calling out or touching the persons arm or hand. (if there is blood do not touch the person.)

C = Call for help, usually 000. And ask for an ambulance.

- (b) (i) Your neighbour has a lower leg wound that is bleeding profusely. 3

What actions should you take?

As the person is bleeding, you should wear personal protective equipment eg gloves; to stop contact with potentially harmful bodily fluids. Check to see if the leg is broken the skin or if it is just a cut. Apply pressure to the area and bandage to stop bleeding. Elevate leg and reassure the neighbour.

- (ii) Your neighbour stops breathing and is unconscious. 2

Describe how to apply CPR.

If the patient has only stopped breathing and still has a heart beat, use a mouth protective shield to stop bodily fluid contamination. 30 breaths, each breath should be as normal pace as breathing and should see a rise and fall of the chest. Continue until breathing again¹⁰ or until paramedics arrive