

Question 17 (8 marks)

2012 HSC - Human Services

Band 5/6

Sample 1 Question 17

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

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

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The first aid management for this situation would be to see where the person is in pain, what they feel by using the pain scale of 1 to 10, assess the person's pain but do not let them move if they are hurt and then call 000 for an ambulance. Whilst they are waiting for the ambulance reassure them and keep them warm if they have gone cold because of shock and wait with them until the ambulance arrives.

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

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What actions should you take?

If the neighbour has a leg wound that is bleeding profusely I would apply pressure, to try and control and stop the bleeding. I would call an ambulance or take them straight to hospital. I would not touch it or try and clean it as that could cause infections. I would also elevate the leg to above heart level so the person doesn't lose too much blood.

(ii) Your neighbour stops breathing and is unconscious.

Describe how to apply CPR.

CPR would be applied to my neighbour by doing 30 compressions with 2 hands on their heart/chest and then listening for a pulse by putting one of my ears over their mouth to listen for breathing. I would keep doing this until the person starts breathing or becomes conscious or the ambulance comes.