

Meningitis

A 6 year old boy arrives in A&E with 4 hour H/O feeling unwell. He has a temperature, complaining of headache and does not like the light being on. You suspect he might have meningitis.

Name 2 signs which can be elicited on examination of pt which would suggest meningeal irritation and describe them. 2 points

In what percentage of patients with bacterial meningitis is this test positive? 1 point
Name 4 signs suggestive of CNS irritation- 2 points
What are the signs of early compensated shock? 3points
In a patient with no signs of raised intracranial pressure or shock what 2 drugs should you use in A&E to treat suspected meningitis? 2 points