

Suturing – MCEM January 08

Marking Criteria

Candidate explains what they are going to do	1	0
Checks for verbal consent	1	0
Assembles and checks equipment	1	0
Selects suitable suture	1	0
Indicates LA required	1	0
Indicates need to wash hands	1	0
Need to check effect of LA	1	0
Maintains sterile technique throughout	1	0
Cleans wound appropriately	1	0
Loads needle holder correctly	1	0
Uses forceps appropriately	1	0
Inserts suture in correct place	2	1 0
Inserts needle at correct angle	1	0
Pulls thread through with instrument	1	0
Ties knot appropriate with instruments or hands in sterile manner	1	0
Cuts ends to an appropriate length	1	0
Avoids actions likely to result in needle stick injury	1	0
Cleans wound and indicates need for dressing	1	0
Achieves adequate wound closure	2	1 0
Checks tetanus status must clarify when exactly last infection or if have ever had course	1	0
Gives advice over keeping dry / signs of infection / removal of sutures (must do all three)	1	0

Global Score from Examiner

Please refer to global score grid – <i>score out of 5</i>	5	4	3	2	1
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Global Score from Role Player

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For Purpose of Research

Overall subjective view	Pass	Fail
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