

b) Dog bite:

- Wash the bitten area with soap water and with antiseptic solution.
- Encourage bleeding and do not cover the wound.
- Collect information about dog and dog bite whether as it is pet / stray dog; and whether it is a provoking / non provoking bite.
- Arrange medical aid.

c) Scorpion bite:

- Wash the bitten area.
- Apply sodium bi-carbonate or potassium permanganate and sodium bi-carbonate mixture on the bitten area.
- Arrange medical aid.

d) Drowning:

- Remove the person from the water.
- Lay him on the ground on his stomach and turn the head to one side.
- Apply pressure on the back (waist portion) or raise the belly so that the water in the lungs comes out.
- Once lungs are vacated, breathing will start. If it has not started, give artificial respiration to restart the breathing.
- Arrange medical aid.

12 UNCONSCIOUSNESS (INSENSIBILITY)

- When sensory organs are not in working condition except in sleep, the condition is called unconsciousness. Unconsciousness is due to interruption of the brain action through some interference the functioning of the nervous system.

It is of two types.(1) Stupor (partial) 2) Coma (complete)

Treatment:

- Ensure abundant supply of fresh air.
- If breathing stops or appears to be failing, start artificial respiration.
- If breathing is not noisy, keep face upward and head and shoulders to be raised slightly.
- If breathing is noisy keep in recovery position.
- Undo all tight clothing, especially around neck and chest.
- Apply the specific treatment for the cause.
- Wrap the victim in a blanket.
- Do not leave the casualty alone.
- Do not attempt to give food / fluids while in unconscious through mouth.
- Shift him to hospital.

13 EPILEPSY (FITS)

Signs and Symptoms:

- Suddenly loses consciousness.
- Sometimes remain rigid with flush face.
- Convulsions start with froth at mouth.
- Pulse will be in bouncing condition.
- Body becomes stiff.

Treatment:

- Do not stop convulsions by force.
- Try to remove hard articles away from the victim.
- Wipe away the froth from his mouth.
- Keep careful watch for a possible failure of breathing and heart.
- Wait till he comes to a normal condition.
- Protect the tongue by placing soft material between the teeth.
- Once he becomes normal, advice the casualty to see the doctor.
- Do not keep any metal in to the hands and do not pour water
