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Answer: What is the recommended MAC value of sevoflurane in infants children and adults?

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- In adults: 1.7

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trolley once the parents have been escorted from the anaesthetic
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• An oxygen–sevoflurane mix is used (in the past halothane was used).
sevoflurane has a pungent smell but is non-irritant. it has a rapid onset
and offset of action. the concentration should ideally be increased
gradually in most cases in order to minimise the patients' distress;
however, in certain situations (e.g. uncooperative patients) sevoflurane
may be dialled up to 8% from the outset. The use of nitrous oxide
increases the speed of onset and depth of ana

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the consequent rate of rise in plasma concentration. The physiological and metabolical state of the patient may also play a role, e.g. hypoxia, hypercarbia and acidosis all potentiate cardiotoxicity.
For all these reasons, the actual maximum recommended dose of LA needs to be interpreted in the correct clinical context. However, examiners would expect you to know the recommended maximum doses:
overview
With added
LA Max dose vasoconstrictor
Lignocaine 3 mg/kg 7 mg/kg (adrenaline)
Bupivacaine 2 mg/kg –
Levobupivacaine 2 mg/kg –
Ropivacaine 3 mg/kg –
Cocaine 3 mg

[SECTION: 02 SPECIAL PATIENT GROUPS PAEDIATRIC PATIENT]
> Inhalational gas induction
• this is a good technique for neonates and infants (small and easy to
hold), and also for children who fear needles or have difficult venous
access.
• It is a two-person technique, requiring one to perform the gas
induction and maintain the airway once the child is anaesthetised
and the other to gain intravenous access (which must be done prior to
siting an airway due to the risk of laryngospasm).
• If the child is small, then often a gas induction can be performed with
the child sitting on the parent's lap (

01 Pharmacology INHALATIONAL ANAESTHETIC AGENTS (VOLATILE AGENTS)
compare the uptake and Table 18.1 Physiochemical properties of isoflurane compared to sevoflurane
excretion of isoflurane and
sevoflurane. Property Isoflurane Sevoflurane
Blood:Gas coefficient 1.4 0.6
Onset/offset Slower Faster
Oil:Gas coefficient 98 53
MAC (in 100% O) 1.15 2.05
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MAC (in 70% NO) 0.56 0.66
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Metabolism (%) 0.2 3–5
isoflurane is more soluble in blood and exerts a lower partial pressure in
blood. as it easily diffuses out of the alveoli, it takes longer than sevoflurane
to achieve a high alveolar partial pressure.

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03 CRITICAL INCIDENTS
69. PoST-DURAl PUNcTURE
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Describe the common causes dural puncture is intentional in subarachnoid anaesthesia and a recognised
and presentation of a post-dural complication of epidural placement. Puncturing the dura can result in

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puncture headache (PDPh). leakage of csF from the tear, a fall in icP and sagging of the brain in the
skull vault, which can lead to the development of a debilitating postural
headache. the headache usually occurs within 72 hours of dural puncture,
is classically severe, frontal/occipital/retrobulbar and m
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Answer: How do you calculate the appropriate endotracheal tube (ETT) size and length in children?

To calculate the appropriate endotracheal tube (ETT) size and length in children, you can use the following guidelines:

1. **ETT Size (Internal Diameter) for Uncuffed Tubes:**
   - For children between the ages of 1 and 10 years, you can estimate the uncuffed ETT internal diameter using the formula: [\text{ETT size} = \frac{\text{Age in years}}{4} + 4.5]
   - Uncuffed tubes are typically used until the child is 8–10 years of age to minimize the risk of damage to the trachea.
2. **ETT Length:**
   - The appropriate oral ETT length (in cm) can be calculated as: [\text{Oral ETT length} = \frac{\text{Age in years}}{2} + 12]
   - For nasal ETT length, the calculation is: [\text{Nasal ETT length} = \frac{\text{Age in years}}{2} + 15]
   - Alternatively, a simpler method for nasal ETT length is to add 2 cm to the oral ETT length calculated using the internal diameter (ID) times 3.
3. **Guidelines for Neonates and Infants:**
   - For neonates: Appropriate ETT ID size is 3–3.5, and length is 8–10 cm.
   - For infants: Appropriate ETT ID size is 4–4.5, and length is 10–12 cm.
4. **Cuffed Tubes:**
   - If using a cuffed ETT, opt for an internal diameter that is 1/2 size smaller than the uncuffed size.

Proper placement of the ETT should be confirmed with auscultation and end-tidal CO2 (ETCO2) monitoring.

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intubated.
• Straight blades (Robertshaw or Miller): use in neonates and infants.
• Curved blade: easier to use once the child is 6–10 kg.
• For children between the age of 1 year and 10 years, uncuffed
endotracheal tube (ett) internal diameter (id) size can be estimated
using the formula:
ETT size = Age/4 + 4.5
(this is generally a better fit than: age/4 + 4)
• Uncuffed tubes: typically used until 8–10 years of age to minimise
the risk of damage to the trachea. a small leak should be present,
but if the leak is too large it will compromise ventilation. mod
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• Ideally the ETT should be inserted such that its thick black marking
is at the level of the vocal cords. appropriate length can also be
calculated as follows:
oral ETT length (in cm) = Age/2 + 12
Nasal ETT length (in cm) = Age/2 + 15
(or an easier one to remember is oral ett = id × 3, for nasal ett, add 2 cm)
• Appropriate ID size and length in neonates is 3–3.5 and 8–10 cm,
respectively, and in infants 4–4.5 and 10–12 cm.
• Once ETT is inserted, its correct placement should be confirmed with
auscultation and etco monitoring.
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• Laryngospasm at extubatio
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> Hand ventilate to assess lung compliance and confirm adequacy of
ventilation
> check chest movements and auscultate chest
> if an lma is in situ, consider intubation to secure the airway
> confirm endotracheal tube position and exclude endobronchial intubation
> inform the surgeon, ask them to stop operating and to check retractors if
applicable
> check arterial blood g as to further define the degree of hypoxia
if saturations remain low, establish the cause and treat as appropriate:
> Pulmonary:
• Pneumothorax
• Bronchospasm
• Lobar collapse
• Mucous plugg
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What is the management of a state that this is an anaesthetic emergency, and that you would call for
suspected vAE? senior anaesthetic assistance and make a rapid but thorough assessment of
the patient.
> inform the surgeon who may be able to prevent further embolisation by
compression of the surgical site or flooding the surgical site with saline.
> Administer 100% oxygen and discontinue nitrous oxide, which will
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increase bubble size due to its high solubility.
> increase cVP by tilting the patient slightly head-down, administer fluid
and
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03 CRITICAL INCIDENTS ASPIRATION
> Peri-operative:
• ng tube placement and aspiration of gastric contents prior to surgery
• use of rapid sequence induction with cricoid pressure where
appropriate
• Positioning the patient head up where possible.
> management of aspiration:
• call for help.
• suction the airway.
• Administer 100% O .
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• if possible, place patient in the left lateral position with head down.
• intubate if necessary.
• suction down the ett once in situ before giving positive-pressure
ventilation, if possible. consider bronchoscopy and bronchial lavage
• CXR.
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Answer: What is the maintenance fluid requirement formula for children during surgery?

The maintenance fluid requirement for children during surgery is calculated as follows:

- For the first 10 kg of body weight: 4 mL/kg/h (or 100 mL/kg/24 h)
- For the next 10 kg of body weight: 2 mL/kg/h (or 50 mL/kg/24 h)
- For each additional kilogram beyond the initial 20 kg: 1 mL/kg/h (or 20 mL/kg/24 h)

These calculations are used to determine the maintenance fluid requirement, and additional fluid losses during the pre-operative fasting period and intra-operative period should be added to these maintenance calculations. Additionally, a balanced, isotonic solution should be used for peri-operative intravenous maintenance fluid.

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> when calculating peri-operative fluid requirements, fluid lost during the pre-operative fasting period and intra-operative losses should be added to the maintenance fluid requirements.
> maintenance fluids are calculated as follows:
• First 10 kg: 4 mL/kg/h (or 100 mL/kg/24 h)
• Next 10 kg: 2 mL/kg/h (or 50 mL/kg/24 h)
• Subsequent kg: 1 mL/kg/h (or 20 mL/kg/24 h)
(so a 9 kg child would have a maintenance fluid requirement of 36 ml/h and a 20 kg child would require 60 ml/h).
> Fluid boluses:
• Non-resuscitation: 10 mL/kg
• Resuscitation

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maintenance fluids:
> in 2007 the nPsa released an alert on the risk of hyponatraemia in children receiving intravenous fluids. since then hypotonic solutions (e.g. 0.18% saline with 4% dextrose) are not to be routinely used in children.
> nice will release information on intravenous fluids for children in october 2015, which will provide recommendations on the types of fluids that should be used for resuscitation and maintenance purposes.
> currently, for peri-operative intravenous maintenance

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require escharotomies.
• There are several formulae that can be used to calculate the volume for fluid replacement (e.g. Parkland, mount Vernon and brook formulae) but the atls guidelines recommend the use of the Parkland formula:
> Parkland formula = 4 ml/kg crystalloid × % burn
• This is the total volume given over the first 24 hours: half of the total volume should be given over 8 hours, and the remaining half over 16 hours.
• For the second 24 hours, administer fluid at a rate of 2m L/kg crystalloid × % burn.
• Time is calculated from t

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For children aged between 1 year and 10 years, weight can be estimated using the formula:
Weight (kg) = (Age + 4) × 2
this is the standard formula that is universally used. However, newer formulas exist to adjust for the fact that children are now getting heavier.
children 1-5 years: Weight = (Age × 2) + 8
children 6-12 years: Weight = (Age × 3) + 7
> consider pre-medication.
• Oral sedative pre-medication (e.g. midazolam) is now infrequently used routinely. it is useful in children who are very anxious or who are likely to be unco

[SECTION: 03 CRITICAL INCIDENTS LARYNGOSPASM]
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65. lARyNgoSPASm
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what is laryngospasm: laryngospasm is the reflex adduction of the vocal cords and occurs most
commonly during lighter planes of anaesthesia. direct or indirect stimulation
of the larynx may precipitate laryngospasm:
> direct stimulation, e.g. blood, mucus, laryngoscope or endotracheal tube.
> indirect stimulation via another site, e.g. pain, cervical or anal stimulation.
laryngospasm may present as intra-operative stridor or sudden difficulty in
ventilating the un-intubated patient.
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