

**ED MOCK OSCE Station 2**

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**Grading sheet for the facilitator**

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|  | Points | Max Points |
| Introduction | | |
| Introduce Self and asks permission |  | 1 |
| History of Presenting Complaint |  |  |
| Open question  **“I was outside playing a game of footy when all of a sudden I collapsed, next thing I knew my mates were all staring down me.”**  Follow up  **“I have no idea what’s going on, I am kinda worried if this keeps happening. It’s really embarrassing.”** |  | 1  1 |
| Presyncope  **“I just fell to the ground with no warning at all.”**   * Nil aura/visual disturbance * Nil feeling of dizziness * Physical exertion (playing a football match with his team) * Nil nausea * Nil sweating * Nil hallucinations * Nil weakness * Palpitations: **“My heart was beating hard, but this is normal for me when I am playing footy”** |  | 1  1  1  1  1  1  1  1  1 |
| Syncope   * Nil fitting observed by others * Duration: **“My mates say I was out for about 15 seconds”** * Nil tongue biting * Nil injury * Nil incontinence (urinary or faecal) |  | 1  1  1  1  1 |
| Post-syncope   * Recovery duration: **“I felt pretty normal after a minute or so”** * Nil confusion, just worried |  | 1  1 |
| Other Associated Features   * Dehydration: **“I had a big night last night, haven’t had much water since” (15stds)** * Nil recent drug use (but cannabis 2 weeks ago) * Nil chest pain * Palpitations: **“(Like I mentioned), my heart was beating hard”, “Sometimes I feel my heart beating when I am just sitting at my desk at work”** |  | 1  1  1  2 |
| Summarise  Address patient concerns |  | 1  1 |
| **Subtotal** |  | **26** |
| Past History | | |
| Medical history   * IBS, eczema * 4 previous syncopal events, 2 while playing football, 1 while going for a run, 1 while lying in bed. Nil prodrome or injury, quick recovery post syncope, nil presentation to the doctor previously * Nil seizures * Nil previous head trauma   Nil oral medications, just topical ointment for eczema |  | 2  3  1  1  1 |
| Smoking: **5-10 cigarettes twice/week**  Alcohol: **15 beers most saturday nights**  Recreational drugs: **Cannabis twice/month** |  | 1  1  1 |
| Family history   * Mother’s sister passed away suddenly at age 21 |  | 1 |
| **Subtotal** |  | **12** |
| Communication and overall impression |  |  |
| Communication (poor/good/excellent) |  | 3 |
| Overall impression (fail/poor/pass/good/excellent) |  | 3 |
| **Subtotal** |  | **6** |
| QUESTIONS | | |
| What is your top differential?   * Cardiac syncope - arrhythmia   What are 3 investigations you would like to order?   * ECG (WPW, tachyarrhythmia, SVT etc…) * Echocardiogram (HOCM) * BSLs (Hypoglycaemia) * FBE (Hb - anaemia, WCC - infection) |  | 1  3 |
| **Subtotal** |  | **4** |
| **TOTAL** |  | **48** |