

## 1.1 Head and spinal cord injury

Decide if the following options are symptoms of a head injury or not.

Select 'yes' if they are and select 'no' if they aren't.

• Unresponsive	Yes	No
• Difficulty swallowing	Yes	No
• Vomiting	Yes	No
• Talking normally	Yes	No
• Having lots of energy	Yes	No
• Amnesia	Yes	No
• Difficulty walking	Yes	No



### Emergency care for a head and spinal injuries

Anyone who experiences an injury to the head or neck needs \_\_\_\_\_ medical attention. If you suspect someone has a brain or spinal cord injury you should call an ambulance \_\_\_\_\_. You should stop bleeding by pressing a clean dressing on the wound, applying \_\_\_\_\_ pressure. Ice \_\_\_\_\_ be applied to the swollen area of the head. To prevent the casualty from vomiting, you should roll the person's head, neck and body as \_\_\_\_\_ unit.