

Airway evaluation and Management

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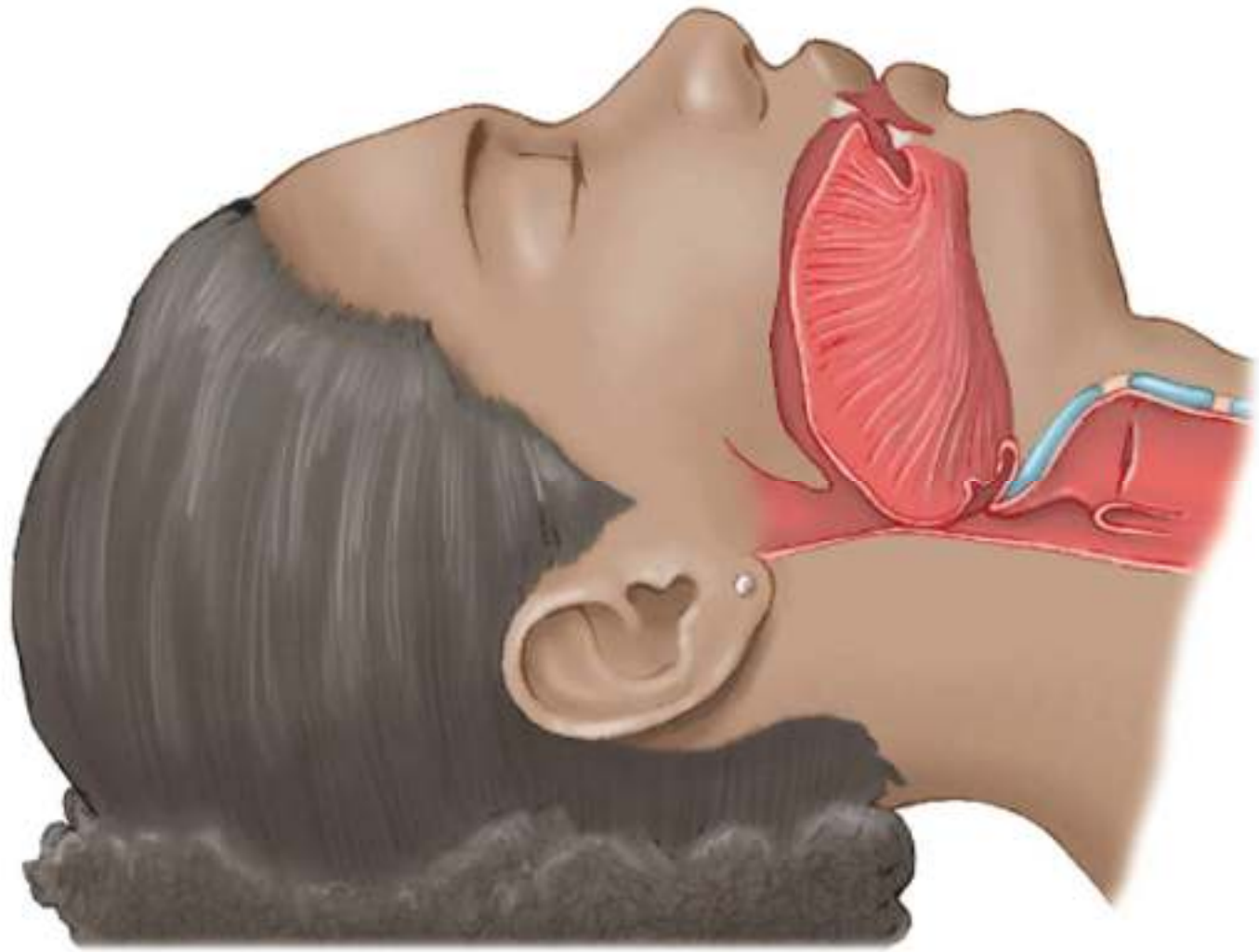


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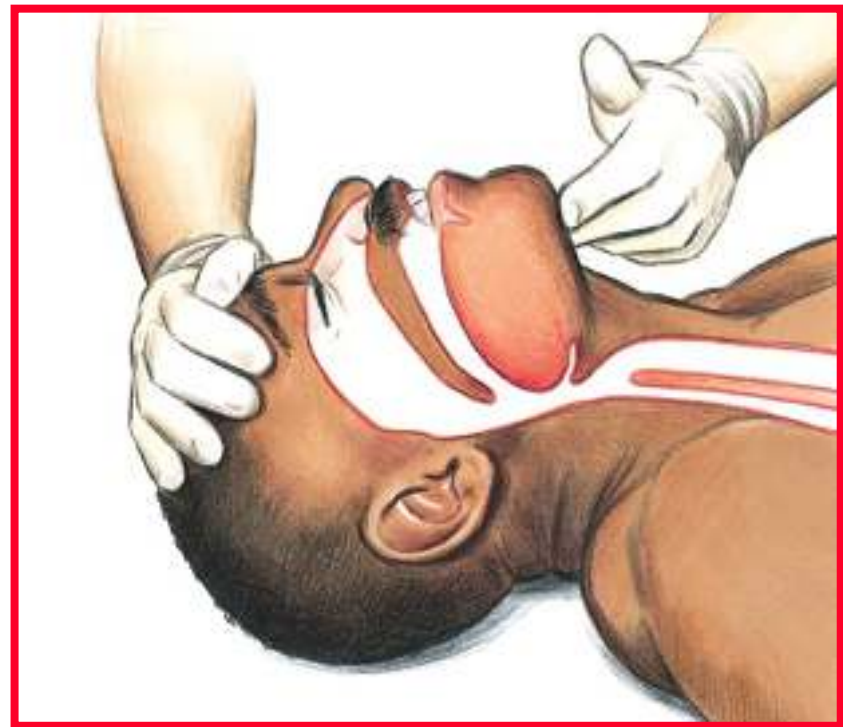
Students at the end of the lecture will be able to :

- Describe the applied anatomy of the airway.
- Conduct a preoperative airway assessment .
- Identify a potentially difficult airway.
- Learn about management of airway .
- Become familiar with airway equipment.
- Understand issues around aspiration prophylaxis.
- Become familiar with controlled ventilation.





AIRWAY CONTROL



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Oral Airway

- ▶ Proper size



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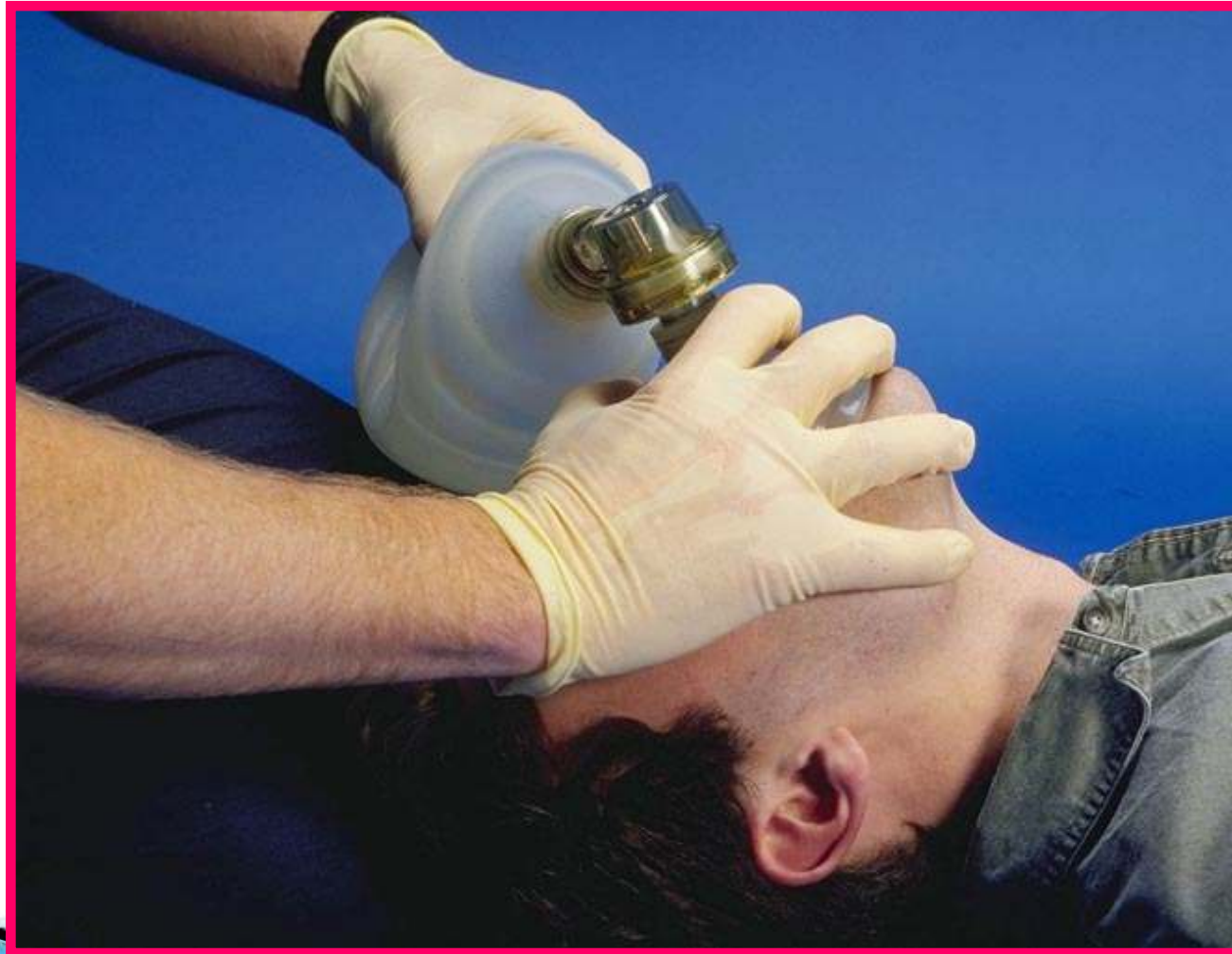
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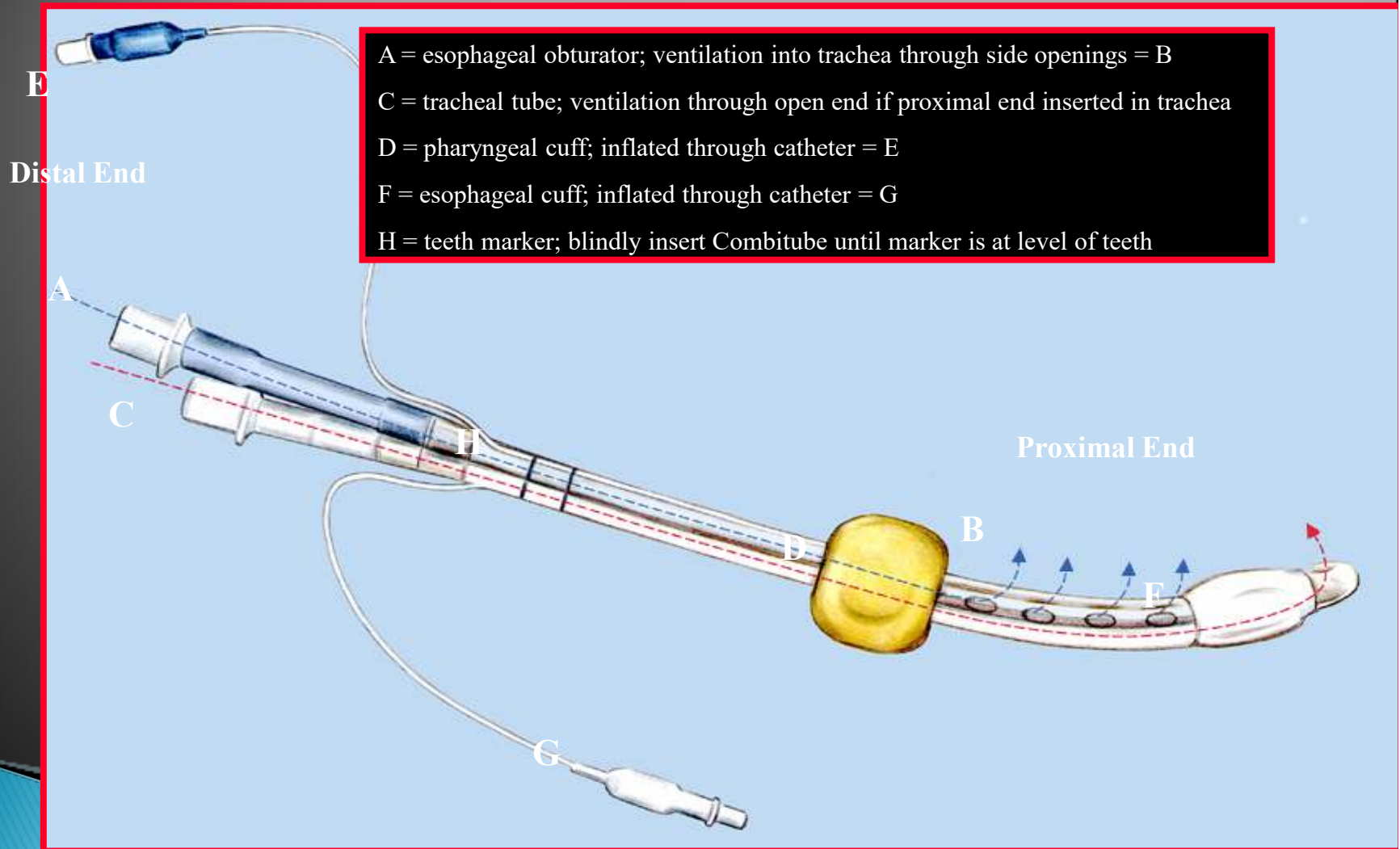
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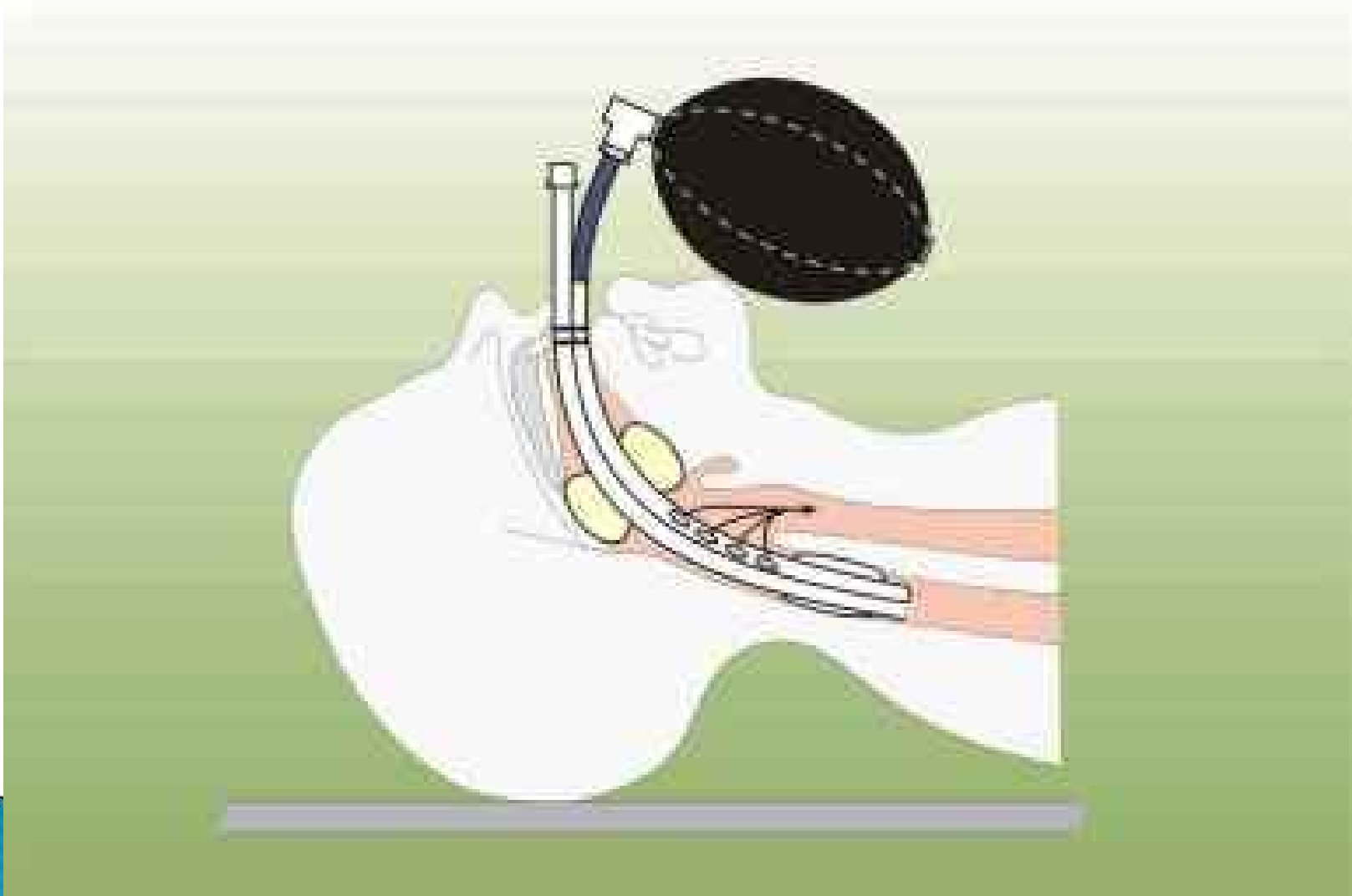


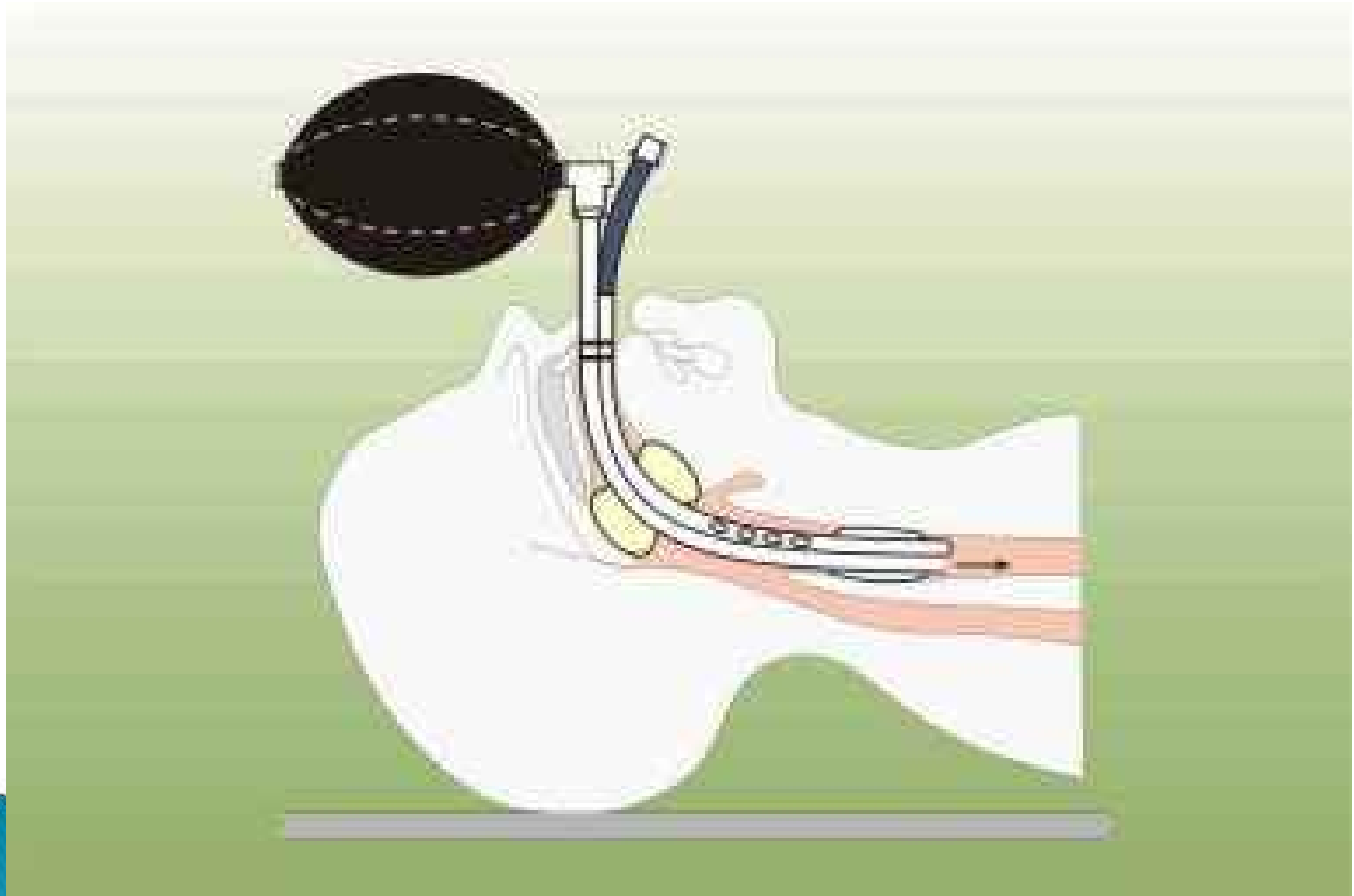
C-E maneuver



Esophageal-Tracheal Combitube







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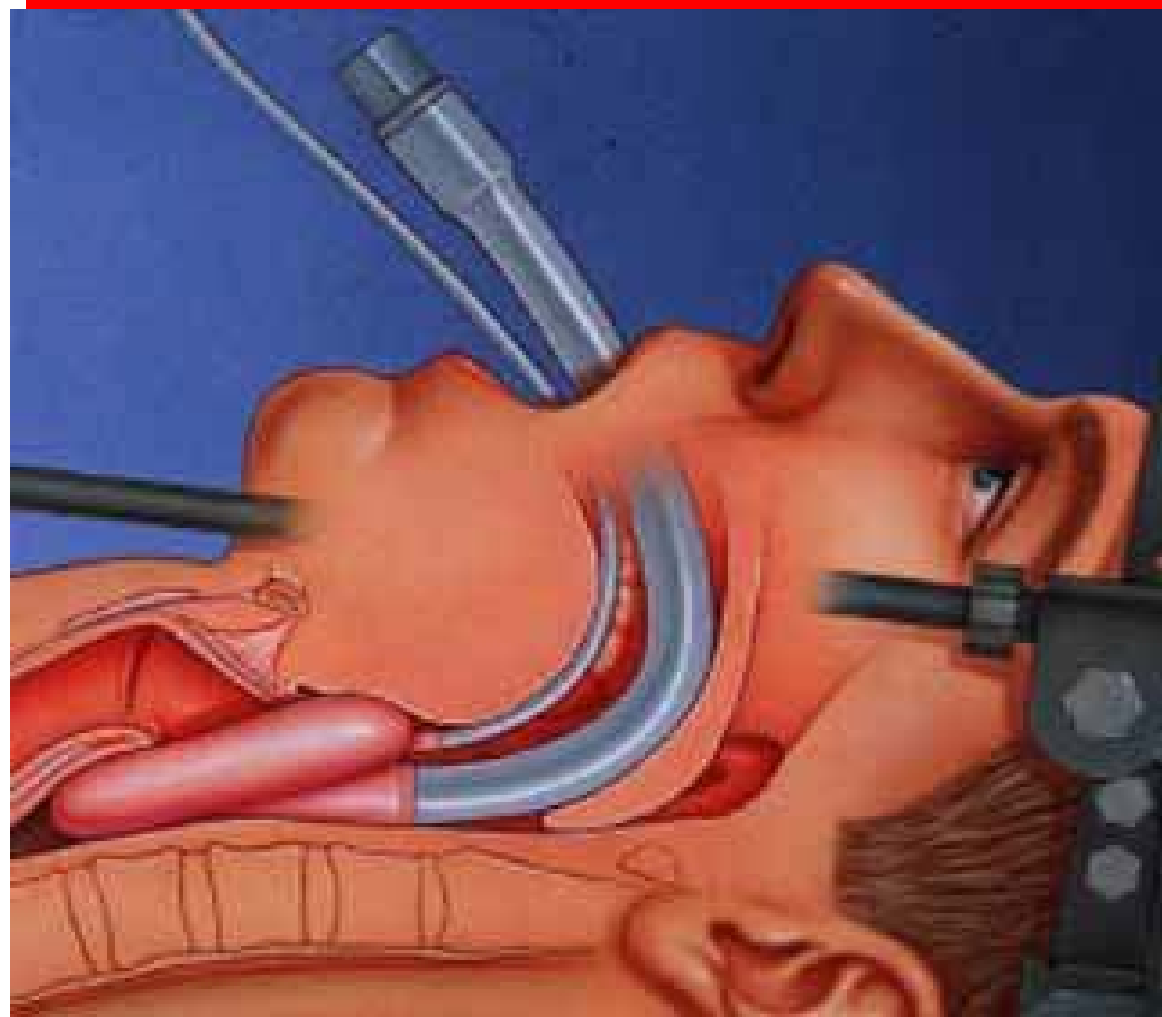
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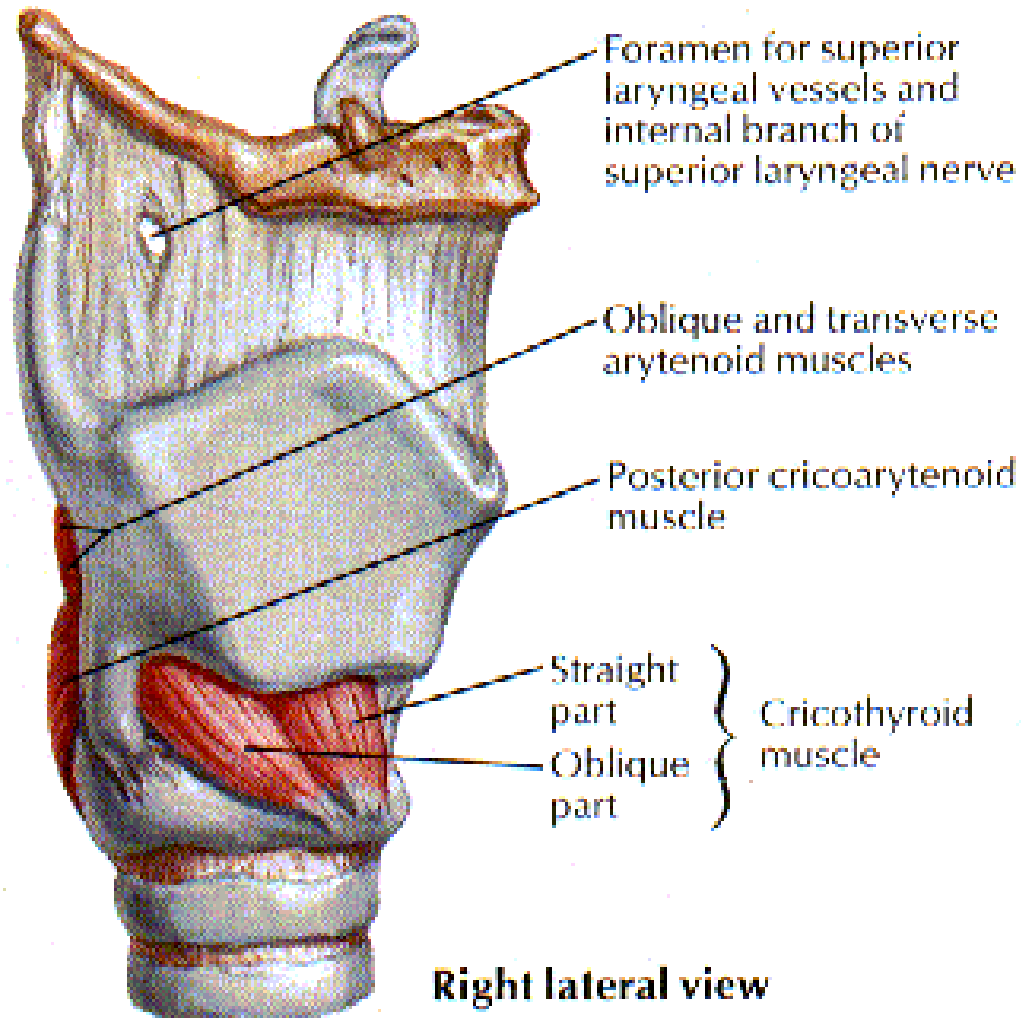
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Airway Anatomy



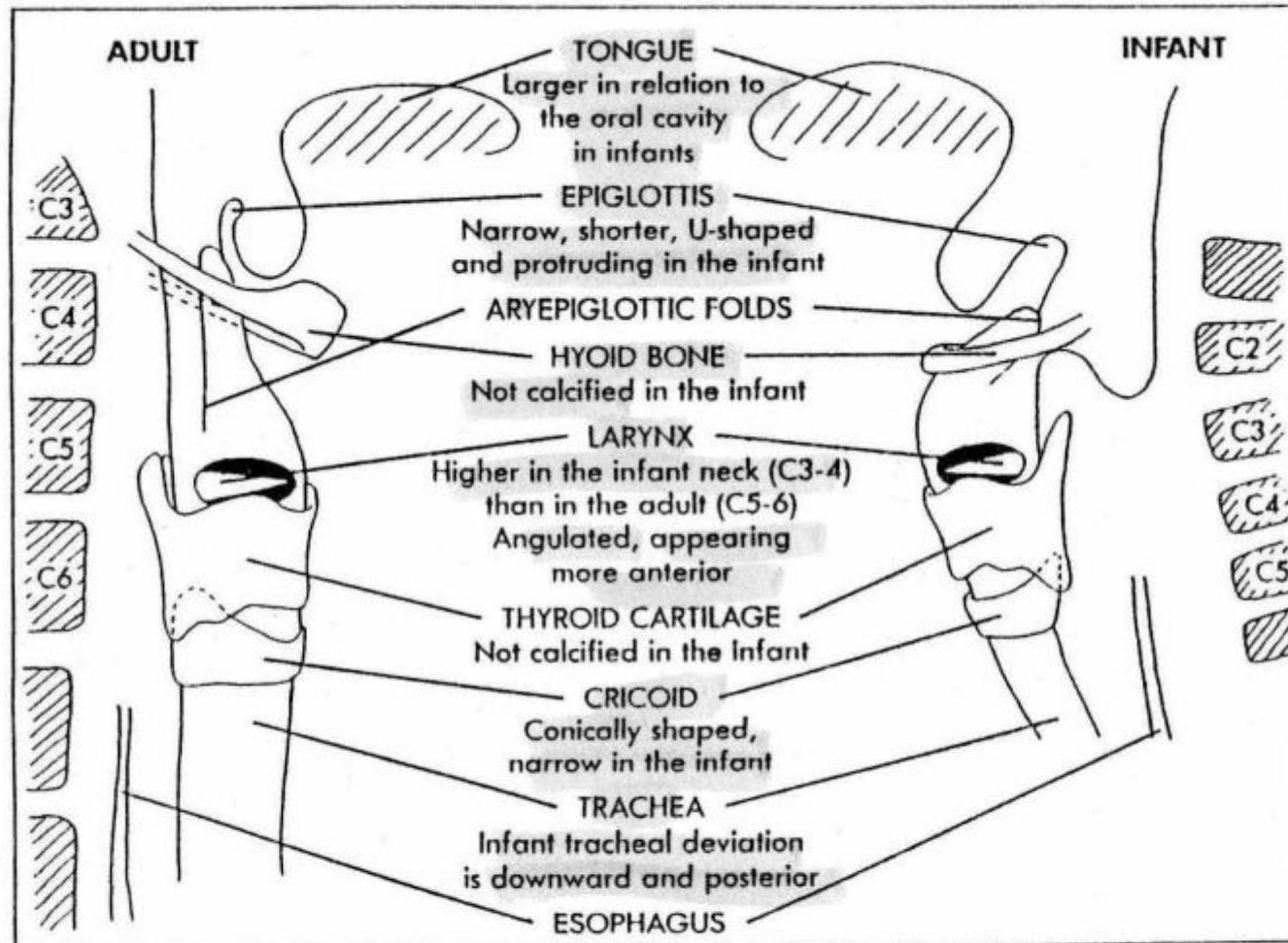
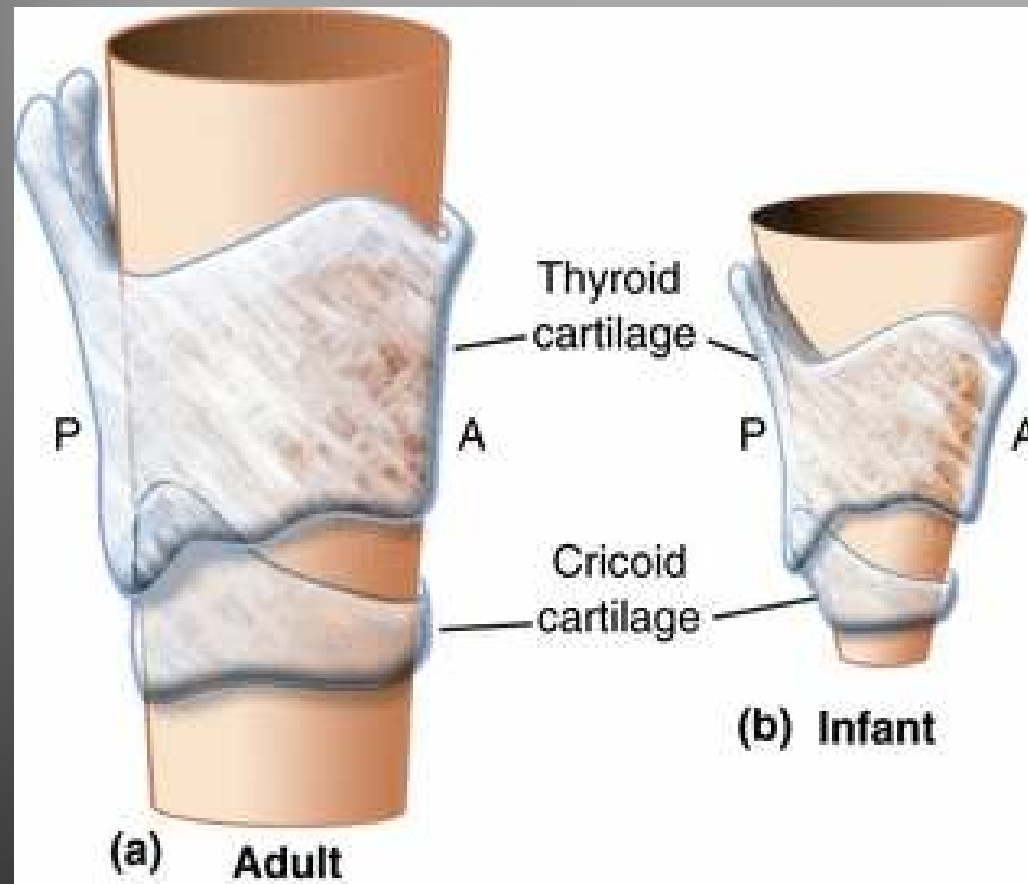


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Airway



Indications of endotracheal intubation

- ▶ Resuscitation (CPR)
- ▶ Prevention of lung soiling
- ▶ Positive pressure ventilation (GA)
- ▶ Pulmonary toilet
- ▶ Patent airway (coma or near coma)
- ▶ Respiratory failure(CO₂ retention)



Management

I–History:

previous history of difficulty is the best predictor

Inquire about:–Nature of difficulty

–No of trials

–Ability to ventilate bet trials

–Maneuver used

–Complications

II–Snoring and sleep apnea .

III–Predictors of DMV (obese) .



LEMON

- Look for any obvious anomaly
 - Morbid obesity(BMI)
 - Skull
 - Face
 - Jaw
 - Mouth,teeth
 - Neck



Examination

I-The 3 joints movements

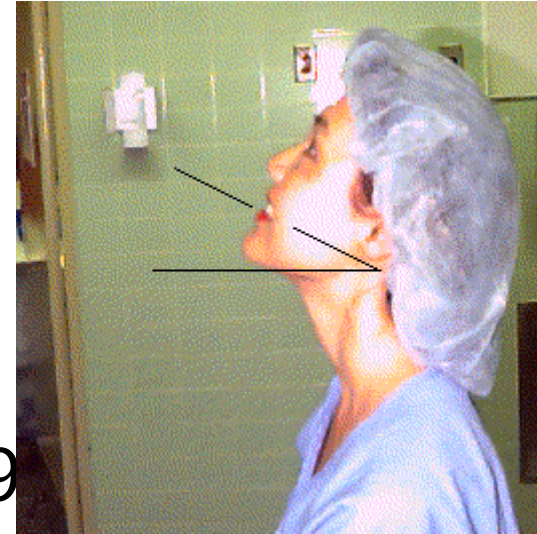
- A-O joint(15–20 degrees)

Presence of a gap bet the Occiput and C1 is essential

- The cervical spine(range > 9

- T.M joint:

Subluxation (1 finger)



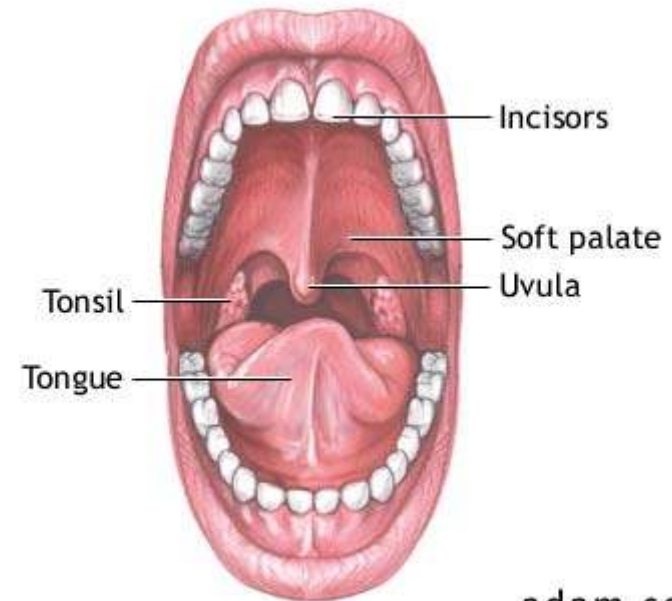
Examination

- ▶ Mouth opening: 3 fingers
- ▶ Thyromental distance: $>6.5\text{cm}$
- ▶ Sternomental distance
 $>12.5\text{cm}$.



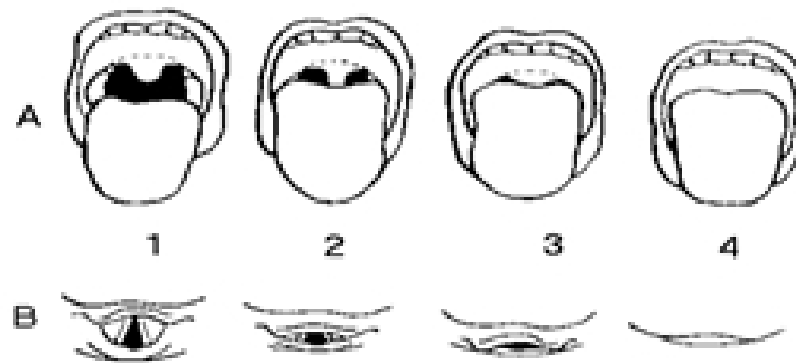
Mallampatti

Mallampatti test:
Based on the hypothesis
That when the base of the
Tongue is disproportionately
Large it will overshadow the
larynx



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- Simple easy test,correlates with what is seen during laryngoscopy or Cormack–Lehene grades ,but
- 1–moderate sensitivity and specificity(12% false +ve)
- 2–Inter observer variation
- 3–Phonation increases false negative view

Obstruction

- ▶ Apparent cause e.g. goitre
- ▶ OSA
- ▶ Noisy breathing or stridor
- ▶ Signs of upper airway obstruction
- ▶ Other causes



Neck Mobility

Prior condition

- ▶ Surgery
- ▶ Rheumatoid arthritis
- ▶ Osteoarthritis
- ▶ Short muscular neck .



Proper Equipment

- Bag and mask, oxygen source
- Airways oro , nasopharyngeal and LMA
- Laryngoscopes different blades
- ETT proper size ?
- suction on



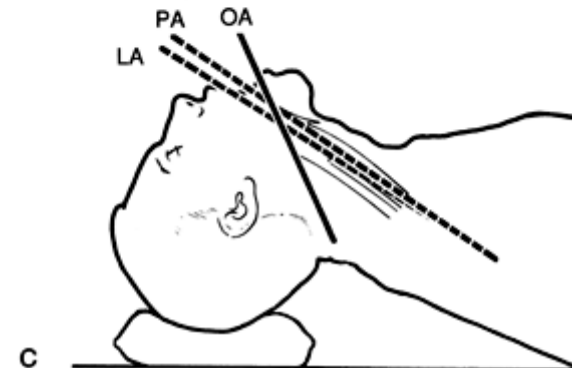
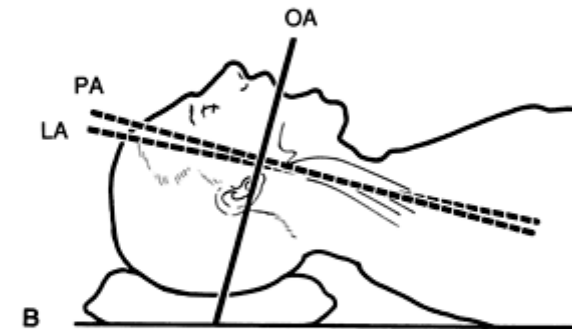
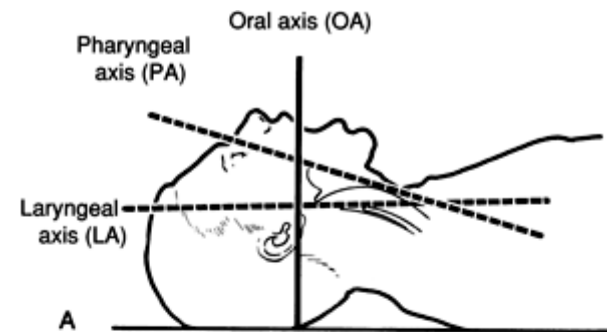
Airway gadgets



Positioning for successful intubation

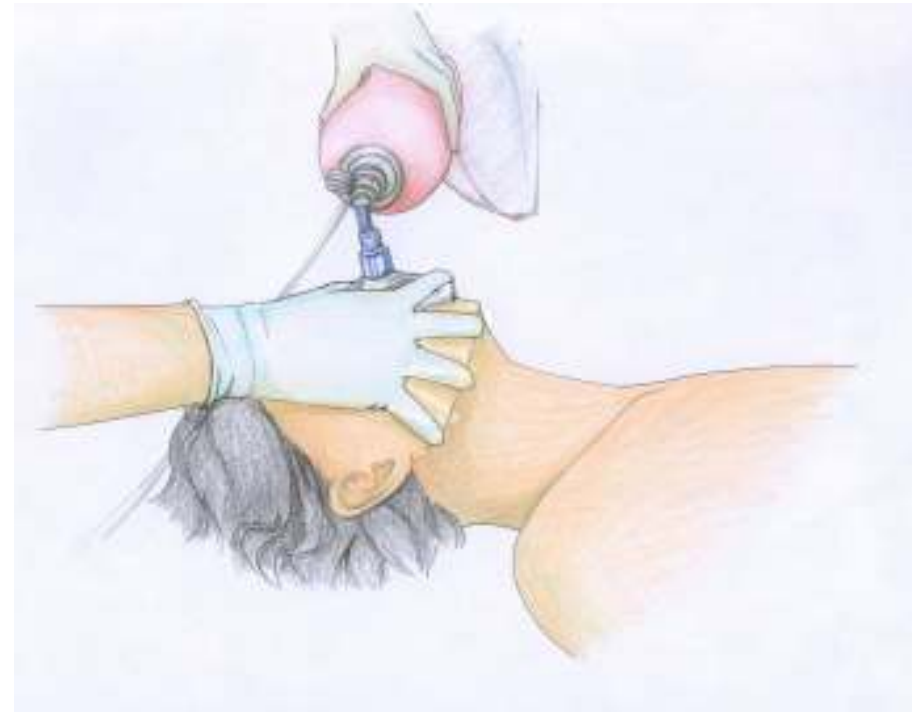
Alignment of 3 axes or
Assuming sniffing position

-Any anomaly in these 3 joints
A-O, T-M or C-spine can result
In difficult intubation



Mask Ventilation

- ▶ Induction of anesthesia produces upper airway relaxation and possible collapse



Endotracheal Intubation

- ▶ Look for epiglottis
 - If initially not found insert laryngoscope further
 - If this maneuver does not work slowly pull laryngoscope back
- ▶ Once epiglottis visualized, push laryngoscope into vallecula and apply traction at 45 degree angle to “push” epiglottis up and out of the way



Confirm tube position

- ▶ Direct visualization of ETT between cords
- ▶ Continuous trace of capnography
- ▶ 3 point auscultation
- ▶ Bronchoscopy ;carina seen
- ▶ Esophageal detector device
- ▶ Other as bilateral chest movement,mist in the tube,CXR



Rapid sequence induction

- ▶ Indications
- ▶ Technique:
 - Preoxygenation
 - IV induction with sux
 - Cricoid pressure
 - Intubate, inflate the cuff ,confirm position
 - Release cricoid and fix the tube

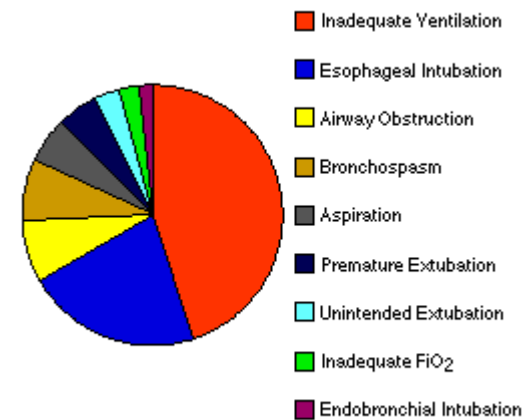


Cricoid pressure



Complications of intubation

- 1–Inadequate ventilation
- 2–Esophageal intubation
- 3–Airway obstruction
- 4–Bronchospasm
- 5–Aspiration
- 6– Trauma
- 7–Stress response



Problems with ETT and Cuff

- ❑ Too long – endobronchial intubation
- ❑ Too short – accidental extubation
- ❑ Too large – trauma to surrounding tissues
- ❑ Too narrow – increased airway resistance
- ❑ Too soft – kinks
- ❑ Too hard – tissue damage
- ❑ Prolonged placement – vocal cord granulomas, tracheal stenosis
- ❑ Poor curvature – difficult to intubate
- ❑ Cuff insufficiently inflated – allows leaking and aspiration
- ❑ Cuff excessively inflated – pressure necrosis



Difficult airway

- ▶ Causes
 - Congenital
 - Acquired



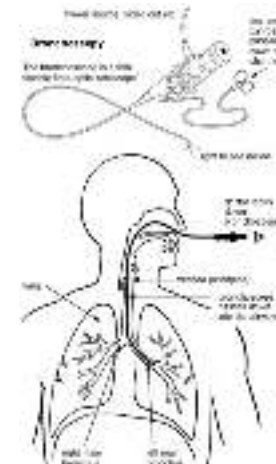
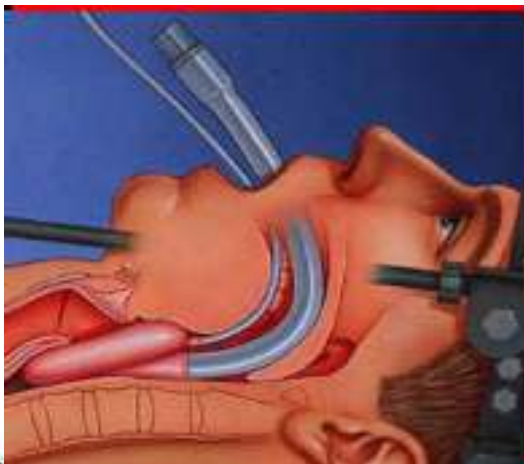
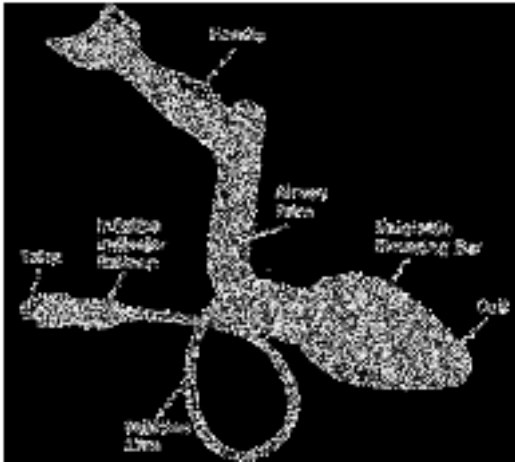
Difficult intubation

- ▶ Malampatti grade 4

Treacher–Collin
syndrome



Difficult Airway gadgets



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Rigid Fiberoptic Scope

Bullard



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Rigid Fiberoptic Scope

Upsher



GlideScope



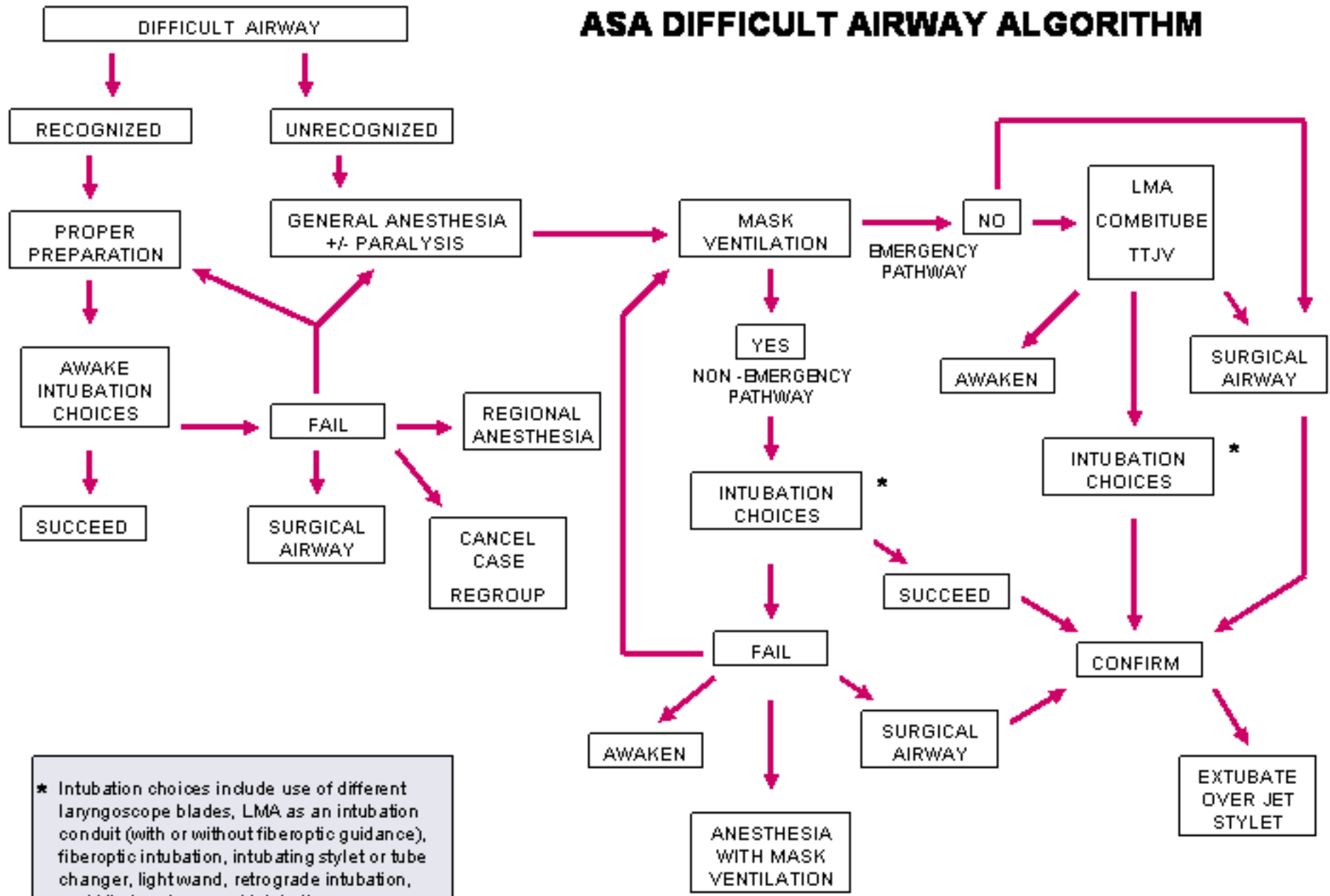
Management of Difficult airway

- ▶ Expected from history, examination
Secure airway while awake under LA

- Unexpected different options
Priority for maintenance of patent airway and oxygenation



ASA DIFFICULT AIRWAY ALGORITHM



* Intubation choices include use of different laryngoscope blades, LMA as an intubation conduit (with or without fiberoptic guidance), fiberoptic intubation, intubating stylet or tube changer, lightwand, retrograde intubation, and blind oral or nasal intubation.

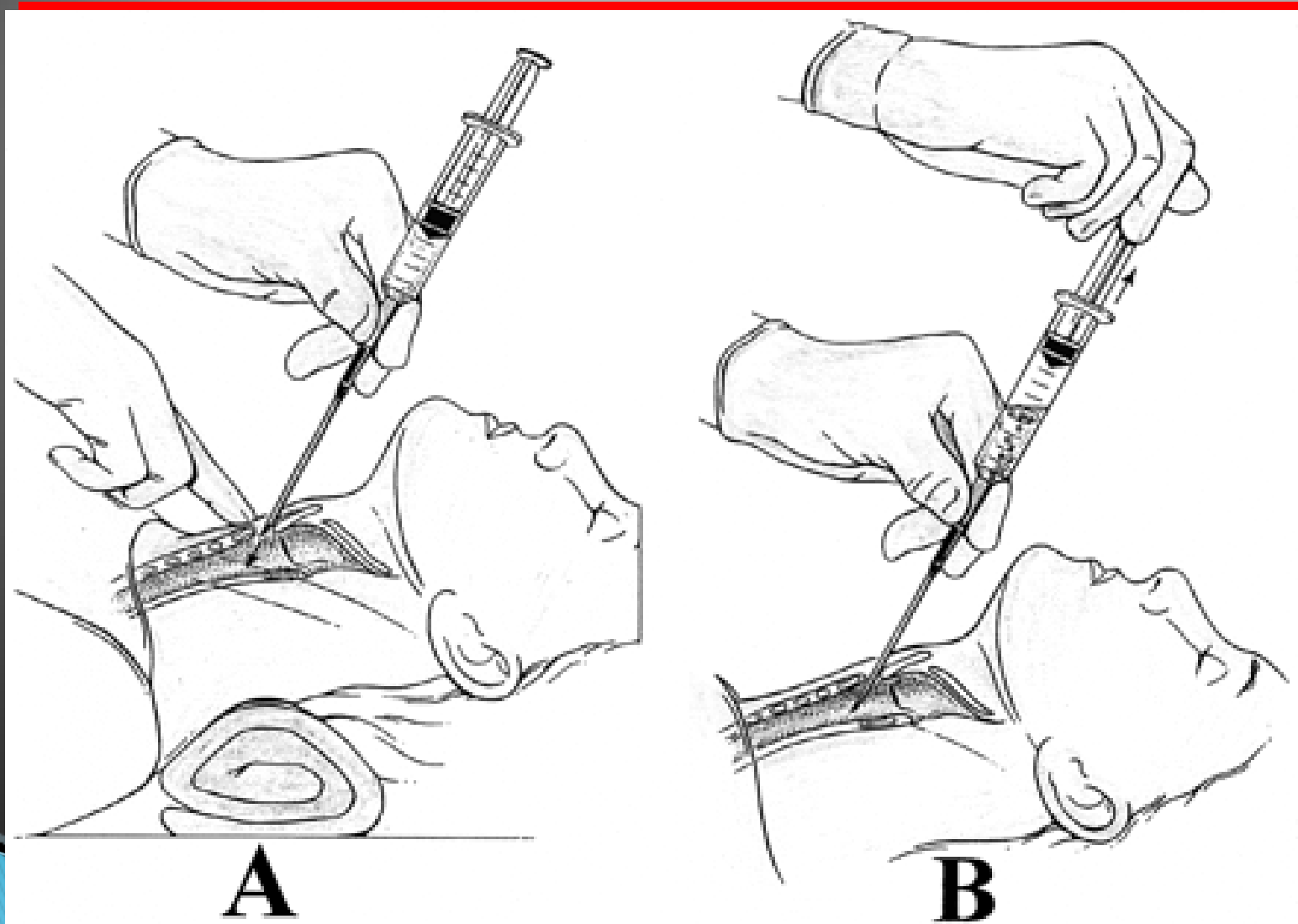
Transtracheal Jet Ventilation

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Ventilation

- ▶ Spontaneous ventilation
- ▶ Controlled ventilation

Pressure cycled and volume cycled ventilator

- Tidal volume 10 mls/kg
- Respiratory rate to maintain normocarbida
- I:E ratio
- PEEP



Recommendations

- ▶ Adequate airway assessment to pick up expected D.A to be secured awake
- ▶ Difficult intubation cart always ready
- ▶ Pre oxygenation as a routine

- ▶ Maintenance of oxygenation not the intubation should be your aim
- ▶ Use the technique you are familiar with
- ▶ Always have plan B,C,D in unexpected D.A



EXTUBATION

General guidelines:

- check that neuromuscular function and hemodynamic status is normal
- check that patient is breathing spontaneously with adequate rate and tidal volume
- allow patient to breathe 100% O₂ for 3–5 minutes
- suction secretions from pharynx
- deflate cuff, remove ETT on inspiration (vocal cords abducted)
- ensure patient breathing adequately after extubation
- ensure face mask for O₂ delivery available
- proper positioning of patient during transfer to recovery room, e.g. sniffing position, side lying.



Oxygen delivery systems:

▶ *Nasal cannulae*

- inspired oxygen concentration is dependent on the oxygen flow rate, the nasopharyngeal volume and the patient's inspiratory flow rate.
- Increases inspired oxygen concentration by 3–4%
- Oxygen flow rates greater than 3 liters are poorly tolerated by patients due to drying and crusting of the nasal mucosa.



Nasal cannulae



1 L/min:	21%to24%
2 L/min:	25% to 28%
3L/min:	29%to32%
4L/min:	33%to36%
5 L/min:	37% to 40%
6L/min:	41%to44%

▶ *Face masks :*

- Three types of facemask are available; open, Venturi, non-rebreathing.

▶ *Open facemasks :*

- Are the most simple of the designs available.
- They do not provide good control over the oxygen concentration being delivered to the patient causing variability in oxygen treatment.
- A 6l/min flow rate *is the minimum* necessary to prevent the possibility of rebreathing.
- Maximum inspired oxygen concentration ~ 50–60%.



Venturi facemasks

- ▶ They should be used in patients with COPD/emphysema where accurate oxygen therapy is needed.
- ▶ Arterial blood gases can then be drawn so correlation between oxygen therapy for hypoxemia and potential risk of CO₂ retention can be made.
- ▶ Masks are available for delivering 24%, 28%, 35%, 40%, 50%.



▶ Non-rebreathing facemasks

- have an attached reservoir bag and one-way valves on the sides of the facemask.
- With flow rates of 10 liters an oxygen concentration of 95% can be achieved.
- These masks provide the highest inspired oxygen concentration for non-intubated patients.



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