

UNIVERSITY COLLEGE LONDON
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Examination for internal students

For the following qualifications
B.Sc (intercal)

Health Sciences C108

Paper title: The consultation in primary care

You must answer Question 1 (which lasts 2 hours) and then 1 (one) of Questions 2, 3 or 4 (which lasts 1 hour).

Please answer each separate question in a new answer book.

This is a 3 hour paper in total.

1. See attached sheet (practical question)
2. A 5 year old boy is brought to the GP by his parents who are concerned about bouts of central abdominal pain over the last 6 months and poor weight gain. You (a medical student) were present. By chance some weeks later you witness a consultation for the same child conducted by a consultant paediatrician in out-patients. Discuss and explain the likely similarities and differences between consultations conducted by the 2 doctors.
3. Maya, a 15 year old girl comes with her mother (who was born in Africa) to see the general practitioner. Maya says she has "inflammation between her legs" . Summarise the issues this presentation raises and discuss methods and skills the GP may need to employ to optimise his/her chances of achieving a successful consultation.
4. The local PCT is interested in evaluating the quality of GP consultations. Discuss the features of high quality consultations in general practice illustrating your answers with examples from consultations you have witnessed. Summarise the methods that the PCT may use to evaluate the quality of GP consultations.