



Approach to OSCE

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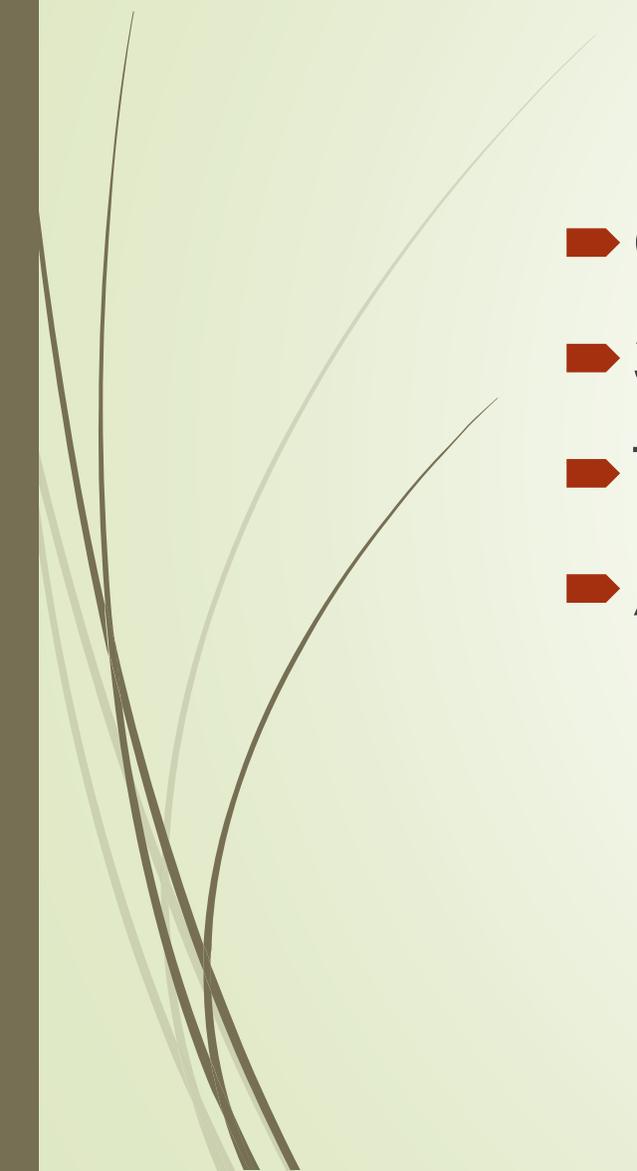


What is OSCE?

- OBJECTIVE
 - STRUCTURED
 - CLINICAL
 - EXAMINATION
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What is OSCE?

- Consists of a circuit of stations
 - 3 minutes each station
 - Total of 10 stations
 - Aim to assess practical skills
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How to prepare??

Some pearls of wisdom



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- OSCE assesses practical skills
 - Get ready to DO something
 - Don't be busy trying to talk...
 - Eg: asked to apply an orthopaedic appliance – just perform it and ensure it is done well – no need to explain to the examiner

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- OSCE assesses practical day to day skills
 - Remember what is done day to day in the hospital
 - In OT, wards and clinics
 - Eg: how you manage common ortho cases in A&E

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- ▶ DO NOT forget your med student years
 - ▶ Especially those common tests taught
 - ▶ The specific tests for certain conditions found only in orthopaedics
 - ▶ Where most candidates fumble

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- ▶ Remember the common implants/instruments
 - ▶ Especially those found in OT
 - ▶ Name AND function
 - ▶ Eg: that small, blunt scissors in upper limb surgery – is actually called Adson scissors..

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- ▶ You only have 3 minutes!!
 - ▶ Tasks would revolve around something simple
 - ▶ Must be able to be completed in 3 minutes
 - ▶ It won't be something that takes longer time – eg: applying a full length POP



In essence....

- OSCE is a simple assessment
 - Mainly to assess your skills
 - Very hard to fail anyway.....
 - That happens in VIVA!!
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