

Paediatric Glasgow Coma Score			
	Adult/Child	Child/Infant	Score
Eye Opening [E]	Spontaneously	Spontaneously	4
	To Verbal stimuli	To Verbal stimuli	3
	To Central Pain stimuli	To Central Pain stimuli	2
	No Response	No Response	1
	Unable to open eye [swelling, ptosis]	Unable to open eye [swelling, ptosis]	C
Verbal Response [V]	Orientated [person/place]	Alert/babbles/coos words to usual ability	5
	Confused	<usual ability/spontaneous irritable cry	4
	Inappropriate words	Cries inappropriately	3
	Inappropriate sounds	Occasionally whimpers/moans	2
	None	None	1
	Intubated or Trache		T
	Adult/Child	Child/Infant	
Motor Response [M]	Obeys Commands	Spontaneous normal movements	6
	Localises to painful stimuli	Withdraws to touch	5
	Withdraws to pain	Withdraws to pain	4
	Abnormal flexion to pain [decorticate rigidity]	Abnormal flexion [decorticate rigidity]	3
	Abnormal Extension to pain [decerebrate rigidity]	Abnormal extension [decerebrate rigidity]	2
	No response	No response	1
	Paralysed [Spinal Injury or Muscle relaxed]		P
Total Paediatric GCS			/15
**Modified GCS for Non Verbal Patients [Consider normal abilities]			
*Grimace [G]	Spontaneous normal facial/oro-motor activity		5
	Less than usual spontaneous ability or response to touch		4
	Vigorous grimace to pain		3
	Mild grimace to pain		2
	No Response to pain		1
<p>Application of pain as a stimulus should be central - supra-orbital pressure [press hard with thumb beneath medial end of the eyebrow] or a Trapezius squeeze.</p> <p>DO NOT use sternal rub [this does not elicit a true reflection of central nervous activity & can cause significant bruising].</p> <p>If supra-orbital pressure is contraindicated [due to facial swelling or fracture] pinch the ear lobe or as a last option the fingernail bed can be used.</p> <p>Score as usual in the presence or possibility of sedative drugs but note what they have had.</p>			

Pupillary Reaction
Brisk
Sluggish
Fixed

Pupillary Size
Pinpoint
Midsized
Dilated

Asymmetry? YES/NO

