



Tips

for

## Injured Children and Babies



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- Unconscious means the muscles are unable to move.
- The child is alive: there is pulse and breathing They are NOT DEAD

## Signs of life:

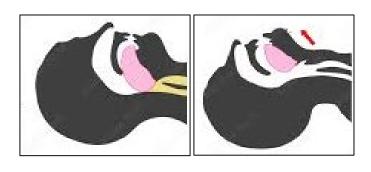
- 1. Breathing 

  chest movement and breathing sounds
- 2. Pulse in the neck for children/on the upper arm for babies
- They can still hear you and feel pain and fear
- They need to be protected and kept warm.
- Warning: put him his side, the tongue can block his airway
- Vomit can drown them unless you put them on their side



## Opening the airway

When people falls unconscious the tongue relaxes and will block the airway if they lie on their backs. Tilt the chin upwards to lift the tongue.

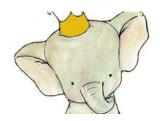




## a) Check breathing:

- Lift the chin
- LOOK, LISTEN, FEEL for 5 seconds









- It is not always obvious what is wrong
- Look at the body language, they hold the area of pain
- Search the cause of the accident
- Do not ask leading questions
- You make deals with children and stick to it (Pain for pain, like slap you when you are going to hurt them by accident)
- Get down to their eye level
- Do not scream or be angry with them
- Never punish a child for getting hurt
- To give comfort is more important than the injury

They must always feel safe with you

