



Strangulation Investigation Questions

1. Describe how were you strangled (hands, ligature)?
2. How long were you strangled?
3. Describe how hard they squeezed:
4. Is the suspect right or left handed?
5. Were you shaken during the strangulation?
6. Was your head pounded against another object?
7. What did you think was going to happen?
8. What did the suspect say/look like (cold stare, angry)?
9. How was your breathing while this was occurring?
10. Describe how you felt while this was occurring:
11. How do you feel now (lightheaded, dizzy, sore throat)?
12. How/why did the strangulation stop?
13. Did you change your clothes after the incident?

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Signs: (What you see)

1. Marks, scratches, petechiae
2. Red dots in whites of eyes
3. Bloody/broken nose
4. Bruising behind ears
5. Bruising in mouth, on lips
6. Cuts or abrasions to mouth
7. Bruising, abrasions under chin
8. Swelling, bruising abrasions to neck
9. Memory loss (unexplained movements)
10. Involuntary urination/defecation
11. Loss of consciousness
12. Coughing, vomiting, drooling

Symptoms: (What they tell you)

1. Hoarse/raspy voice
2. Difficulty swallowing/talking
3. Difficulty recalling incident
4. Neck pain/tenderness
5. Difficulty breathing
6. Ringing in ears
7. Chest pain
8. Vision changes
9. Dizziness, headache

This list is **NOT** all inclusive.