

# Tips in passing clinical exams

- Answer the question(s)
- Common things occur commonly
- Do what you would do in everyday practice
- Being thorough is better than being clever

## How would you manage this patient?

- Assessment
  - History *in order*
  - Physical examination *in order*
  - Investigations *in order* (see below)
- Working diagnosis + differential diagnoses
- Treatment

## Investigations

- Bloods
  - Biochemistry
    - U+Es, LFTs, Glu, TFTs, CRP, Ca, XOL
  - Haematology
    - FBC, ESR, coagulation
  - Immunology
- Radiology
  - X-ray, CT, MRI, nuclear
- Electrical
  - ECG, ETT, EEG, EMG
- Microbiology
  - Microscopy, culture + sensitivity
- Pathology
- Other
  - Endoscopy