# Evaluating the Paediatric Heart

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#### Consider

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- Cyanotic / Acyanotic?
- Significant / not?
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  - CCF?
  - PHT?
- i.e.: What does this child need? How quickly must I refer?

## Approach

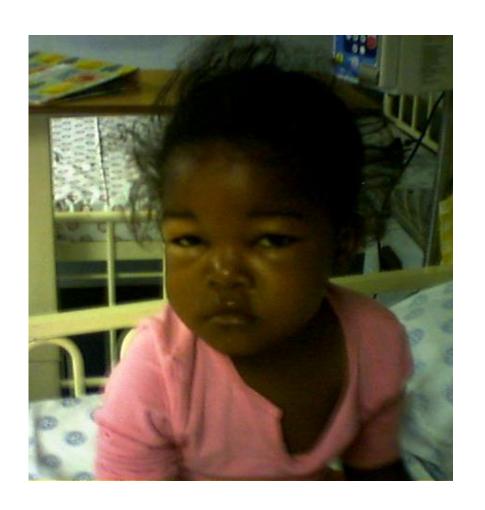
- History
- Examination
- CXR
- ECG
- Bloods
- Heart sonar
- Cardiac catheterization

## History

- Pregnancy: infections, illnesses, drugs, alcohol
- Birth: maturity, insult
- Family: other sibs, genetics, CHD
- Socio-economic
- Medical: admissions
- Symptoms: onset, duration
- Growth

# Presenting Symptoms

- Cyanosis
- Oedema
- Respiratory distress
- Poor feeding
- Poor growth
- Chest pain
- Syncope

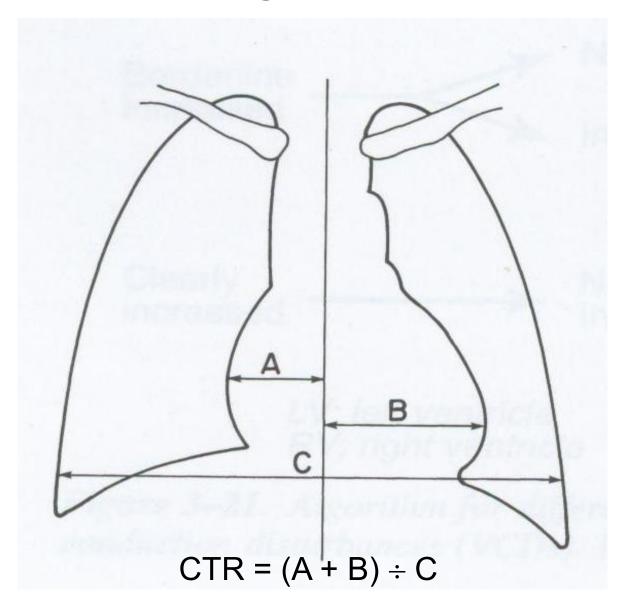


### Examination

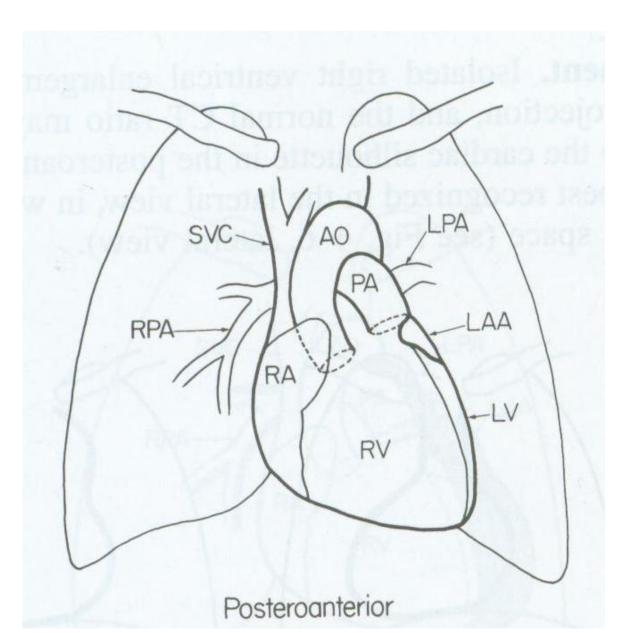
- General impression
- General examination
- Vitals
- Inspection
- Palpation
- Percussion
- Auscultation

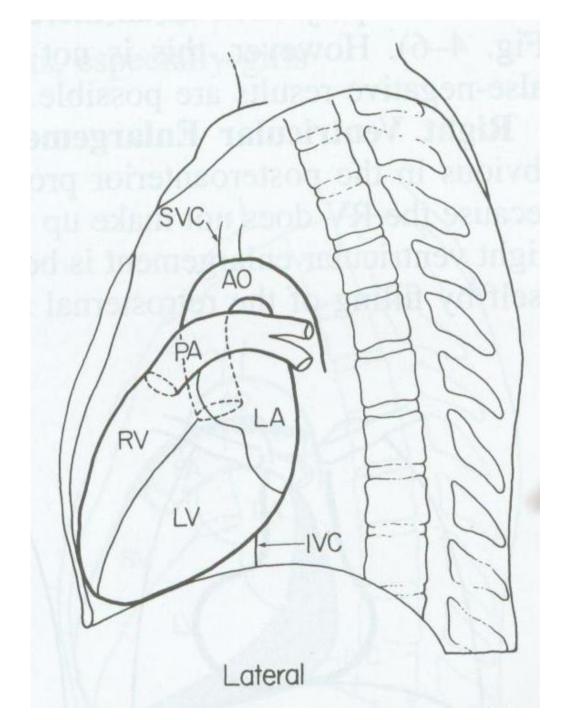


# CXR



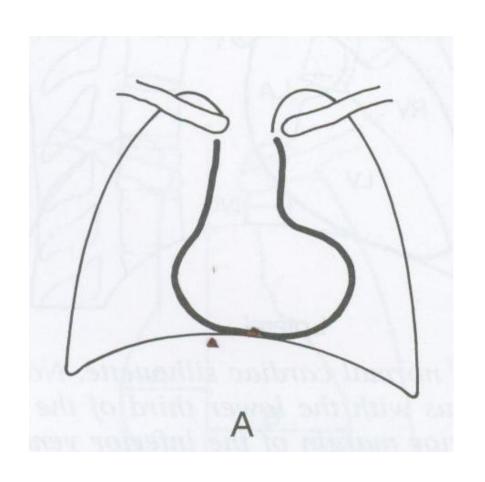
#### **Normal Silhouette**

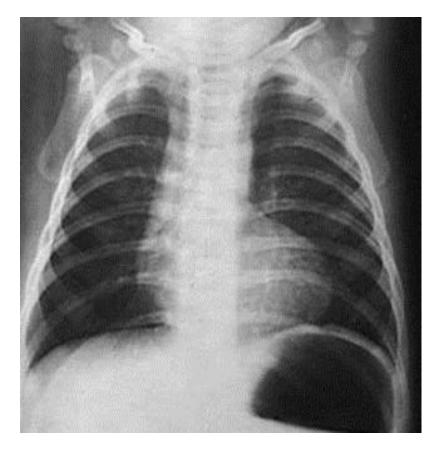




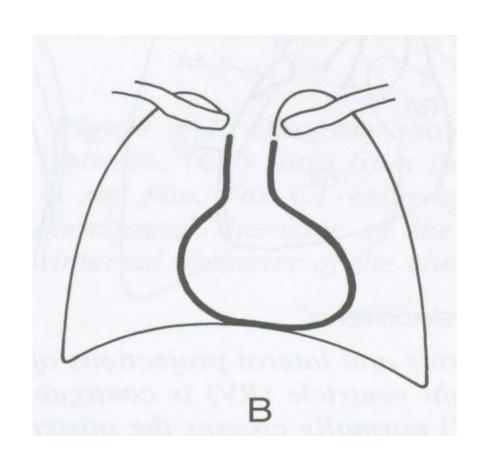


# Boot-shaped heart



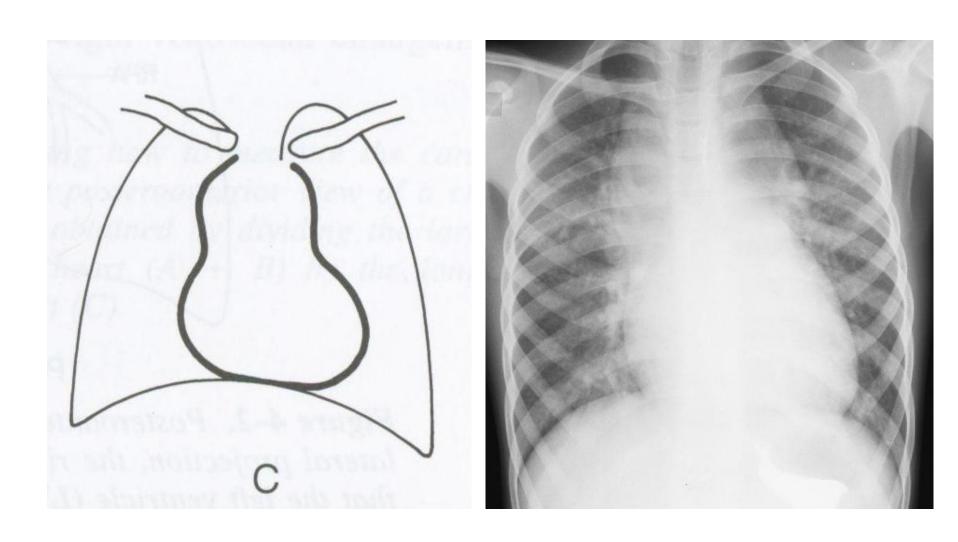


# Egg-on-side Heart

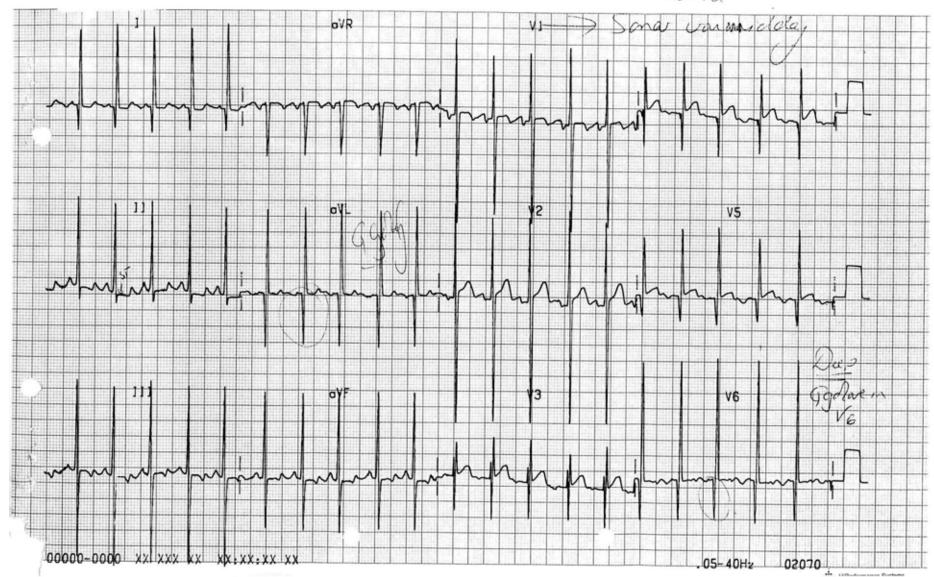




## **Snowman Heart**

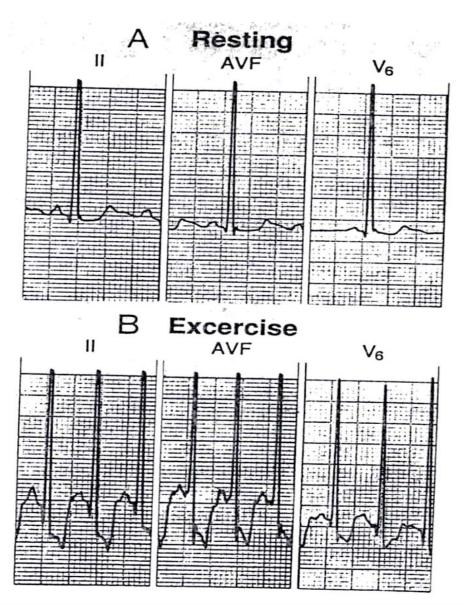


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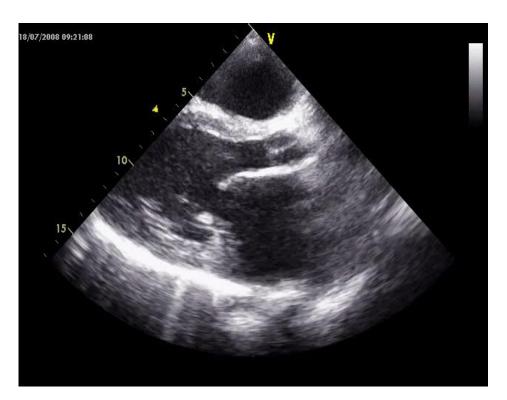
## Stress ECG

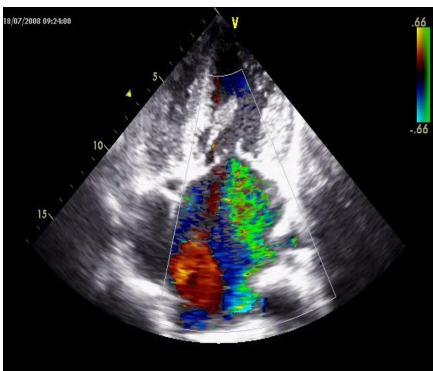


#### Bloods

- Rheumatic fever
  - Infectivity markers
  - ASOT
- Infective endocarditis
  - Blood cultures x3
  - Infectivity markers
- CCF
  - **U&E**

## Heart sonar





## Cardiac Catheterization





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