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**Mental Health Nursing  
Class Preparation  
Schizophrenia**

1. What are positive symptoms of Schizophrenia? Describe at least three.

disturbances in content of thought, form of thought,  
and alterations in perception

- delusions: false personal beliefs
- neologisms: made-up words
- hallucinations: false sensory perceptions not associated with real external stimuli

2. What are negative symptoms of Schizophrenia? Describe at least three.

the absence of essential human qualities

- Anhedonia: inability to find meaning or pleasure in existence
- Avolition: total lack of motivation
- Alogia: lack of words being said

3. List three Conventional Antipsychotics and their main side effects.

- trifluoperazine
- loxapine
- chlorpromazine

- SE: EPS

- acute dystonia, pseudoparkinsons, TD (late)
- akathisia, agranulocytosis (esp. clozapine)

4. List three Atypical Antipsychotics and their main side effects.

- olanzapine
- aripiprazole
- ziprasidone

- SE:

- ↓ EPS (↓ to none)
- r/f metabolic syndrome
  - wgt ↑
  - diabetes
  - dyslipidaemia

5. What is the difference between Conventional antipsychotics and atypical antipsychotics?

- conventional targets (+) symptoms  
(1<sup>st</sup>)
- atypical targets (+) and (-) symptoms  
(2<sup>nd</sup>)