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## Scorpion stings and Snake bites

### What happens when snakes and scorpions feel afraid?

When snakes or scorpions feel scared or threatened, they might bite to defend themselves.

Their bite can feel like a sharp pinch, and it can hurt a lot. After you are bitten, the area where it bit can swell up and become painful.

Some of them have venom in their sting, which is like a special liquid that can make you feel sick.



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## Things To Do!

- Stay calm, Panicking can make your heart beat faster, which can spread the venom quickly through your body.
- Snake: move away to avoid getting bitten again  
Scorpion: clean the bite area to reduce infection
- Snake: Remove any jewelry or tight clothing.  
Scorpion: Use a cold compress or ice pack wrapped.
- Snake: keep the bite below heart level.  
Scorpion: elevate the affected limb to reduce swelling.
- Seek medical help, do not attempt to treat the bite by yourself with home remedies.
- Try to memorize the color and if possible, take a picture of it safely without risking getting bit.



## Things to avoid

- Don't delay seeking medical help
- Don't Panic
- Don't Apply a Tourniquet
- Don't Cut the Bite or try to suck out the venom

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