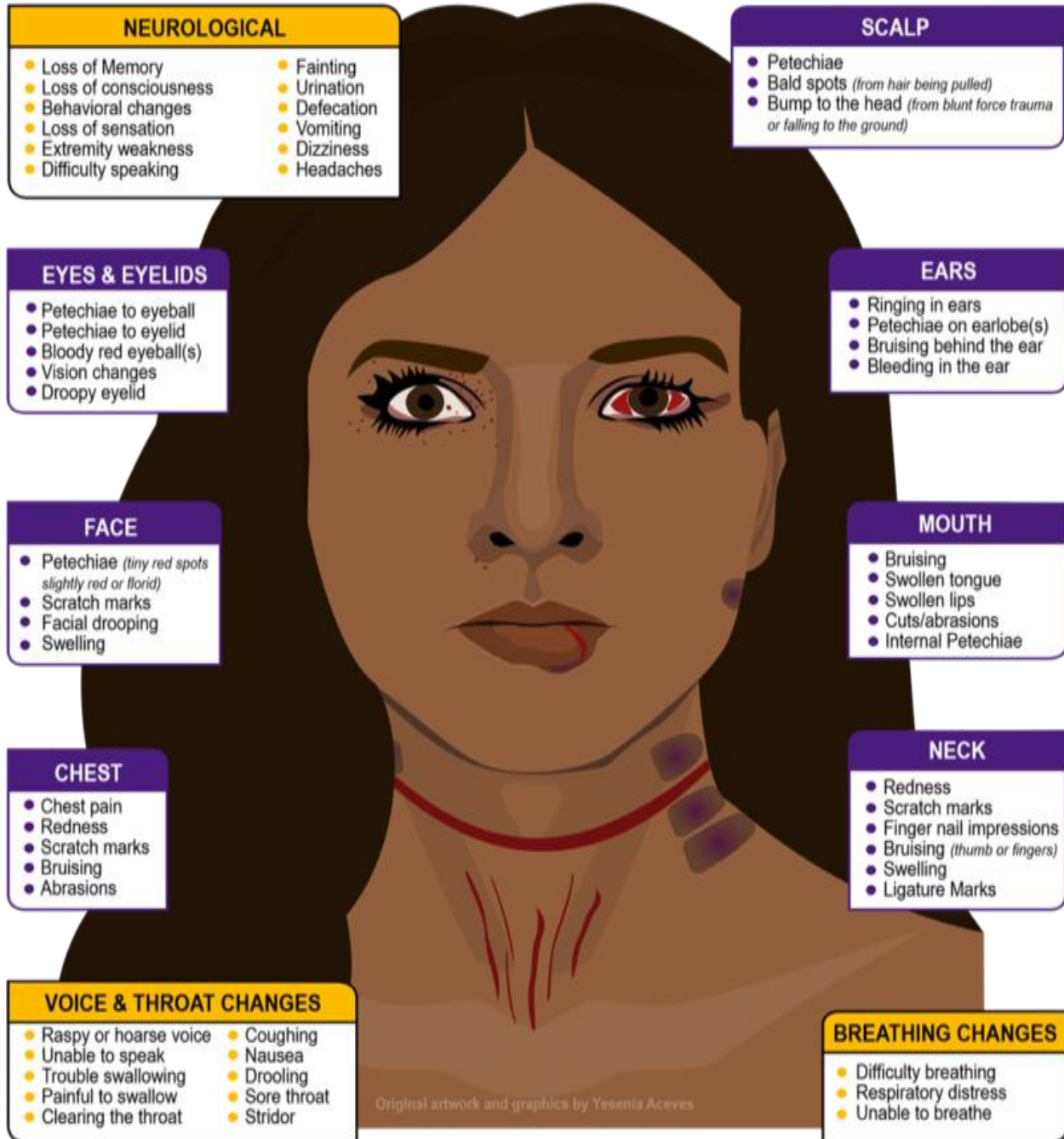


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**NEUROLOGICAL**

- Loss of Memory
- Loss of consciousness
- Behavioral changes
- Loss of sensation
- Extremity weakness
- Difficulty speaking
- Fainting
- Urination
- Defecation
- Vomiting
- Dizziness
- Headaches

**SCALP**

- Petechiae
- Bald spots (from hair being pulled)
- Bump to the head (from blunt force trauma or falling to the ground)

**EYES & EYELIDS**

- Petechiae to eyeball
- Petechiae to eyelid
- Bloody red eyeball(s)
- Vision changes
- Droopy eyelid

**EARS**

- Ringing in ears
- Petechiae on earlobe(s)
- Bruising behind the ear
- Bleeding in the ear

**FACE**

- Petechiae (tiny red spots slightly red or florid)
- Scratch marks
- Facial drooping
- Swelling

**MOUTH**

- Bruising
- Swollen tongue
- Swollen lips
- Cuts/abrasions
- Internal Petechiae

**CHEST**

- Chest pain
- Redness
- Scratch marks
- Bruising
- Abrasions

**NECK**

- Redness
- Scratch marks
- Finger nail impressions
- Bruising (thumb or fingers)
- Swelling
- Ligature Marks

**VOICE & THROAT CHANGES**

- Raspy or hoarse voice
- Unable to speak
- Trouble swallowing
- Painful to swallow
- Clearing the throat
- Coughing
- Nausea
- Drooling
- Sore throat
- Stridor

**BREATHING CHANGES**

- Difficulty breathing
- Respiratory distress
- Unable to breathe

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## Facts about strangulation:

- Strangulation is an automatic felony in the state of Texas.
- This is a felony punishable by two to ten years for the first offense, and two to twenty years for repeat convictions.
- Victims may die from internal injuries from strangulation up to 72 hours after the incident has occurred.