Near Misses - What’s the Big Deal?

1. What are the 2 most common causes of near miss incidents?

2. A near miss only needs reporting when a plan can be put in place to prevent it happening again.
   - True  - False

3. A definition of a near miss is an “unexpected event that did not result in injury, illness, or damage – but had the potential to do so.”
   - True  - False

4. If you experience a near miss do you:
   a. think “Phew, I was lucky not hurt myself there”.
   b. think “That’s dangerous, I need to complete an incident/near miss form”.
   c. tell your supervisor what happened.
   d. All the above

What Would You Do?
You arrive on site and are walking towards the site office to sign in. The sign-in sheet is on a desk, and as you sign it and then stand up, you bang the side of your head on an overhead metal wall unit. You do not cut yourself or suffer a concussion. What would you do?

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