

**Table 8.1**  
**Terrorist Attacks at a Glance**

Chemical Attack	Biological Attack
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Victims in a concentrated area</li> <li>• Symptoms immediate (seconds to hours after exposure)</li> <li>• Symptoms very similar (SLUDGEM)</li> <li>• May have observable features such as chemical residue, dead foliage, dead animals/insects, and pungent odor</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Victims dispersed over a wide area</li> <li>• Symptoms delayed (days — weeks after exposure)</li> <li>• Symptoms most likely vague and flu-like</li> <li>• No observable features</li> </ul>
Explosive Attack	Radiological Attack
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Explosion self-evident (debris field, fire, etc.)</li> <li>• Victims in a concentrated area</li> <li>• Mechanical and thermal injuries</li> <li>• Potential radiation and chemical agent risk — monitoring for both is necessary</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Explosion self-evident (debris field, fire, etc.)</li> <li>• Victims in a concentrated area</li> <li>• Mechanical and thermal injuries initially, radiological symptoms (if any) will likely be delayed</li> <li>• Radiation detected through monitoring</li> </ul>