

HUNTER NEW ENGLAND

Sequencing Tasks

What you might see	What this could mean	Strategies
 Child has difficulty recognising/ understanding a sequence of events. Child completes tasks out of order. Child only completes part of task set. Child has difficulty completing more complex tasks and following directions. 	 Child may have a sequencing or planning deficit. Receptive language difficulty. Difficulty attending to the whole sequenced task. 	 Limit the number of steps child is asked to complete at any one time. Restructure instructions into a sequence of short steps. Use visual, written cues or verbal prompts to assist child in remembering the steps. Tell the student how many steps there are and discuss one step at a time. Have child verbally rehearse steps. Make a written list of the sequence of steps and have the child cross off when completed. Teach child how to use plans to problem solve and organise self. e.g. "What do I need to do, which one first? Next? Etc.