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Sequence

- **Sequence** is the order in which events take place, from first to last.
- Clue words such as *first*, *next*, *then*, and *last* may show sequence in a story or article, but not always.
- Several events can occur at the same time. Words such as *at the same time*, *simultaneously*, and *together* give clues that two events are happening at the same time.

Directions Read the passage. Then use the diagram and the passage to answer the questions.

I went to an astronomy conference last week. Before attending any of the lectures I signed in and was given my free copy of *Earth: Its History and Future*. My favorite lecture was the very first one on the first day of the conference. The only speaker that I didn't enjoy was the person

who spoke about Einstein's theories. It was great to be a part of the award ceremony at the close of the conference on the last day, but I have to admit that I was very tired at that point. Other than that, I learned a lot and would recommend the conference to anyone.

Astronomy Conference Lecture Schedule

	Mon.	Tue.	Wed.	Thurs.	Fri.
9:00 a.m.	Black Holes in our Galaxy	Einstein's Theories	Asteroids and the Earth	Jupiter's Moons	Supernovas
12:00 noon	Lunch	Lunch	Lunch	Lunch	Lunch
1:00 p.m.	Life in Our Solar System	Space Travel in the 21st Century	Supernovas	The Expansion of the Universe	The Future of NASA

1. What is the first thing the author did? _____
2. What was topic of the first lecture on Wednesday? _____
3. Which lecture was given right after lunch on Monday? _____
4. On what day and time did the speaker discuss Einstein's Theories? _____
5. What was the last part of the conference? _____



Home Activity Your child read a passage including a schedule of lectures to determine sequence. Work with your child to have him or her produce a weekly schedule of extracurricular activities or chores. Then ask your child questions about the sequence of his or her activities.

Writing • Short Play

Key Features of a Short Play

- includes a list of characters
- describes the setting, time, or place
- features characters who often think or act distinctly

CHARACTERS

SARAH,

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Vocabulary

Directions



Past, Present, and Future Tenses

The **qbkpb** of a verb shows when something happens. Verbs in the **mobpbkq qbkpb** show action that happens now. Some present tense singular verbs end with -s or -es. Most present tense plural verbs do not end with -s or -es.

An inventor creates a new tool. Inventions serve us well.

Verbs in the **m^pq qbkpb** show action that has already happened. Most verbs in the past tense end in -ed.

Not long ago, electronics changed the world.

Verbs in the **crqrob qbkpb** show action that will happen. Add *will* (or *shall*) to most verbs to show the future tense.

Many more inventions will appear.

- Some regular verbs change spelling when -ed is added. For verbs ending in *e*, drop the *e* and add -ed: *used, celebrated*. For verbs ending in a consonant and *y*, change the *y* to *i* and add -ed: *spied, lied*.
- For most one-syllable verbs that end in one vowel followed by one consonant, double the consonant and add -ed: *wrapped, patted*.
- Irregular verbs change spelling to form the past tense: *are/were, bring/brought, eat/ate, find/found, fly/flew, go/went, have/had, is/was, make/made, see/saw, sit/sat, take/took, tell/told, think/thought, write/wrote*.

Afob`qf1kp Write the correct present, past, and future tense of each verb.

Sbo_	Mobpbkq	M^pq	Crqrob
.+ jump	She _____.	She _____.	She _____.
/+ sit	He _____.	He _____.	He _____.
0+ worry	We _____.	We _____.	We _____.
1+ stop	It _____.	It _____.	It _____.

Afob`qf1kp Rewrite each sentence. Change the underlined verb to the tense in ().

2+ The Perez twins dream about a new invention. (present)

3+ They study the laws of motion. (past)



Home Activity Your child learned about present, past, and future tenses. Have your child read a page in a story aloud, changing past tense verbs to present tense ones or present tense verbs to past tense ones.

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Vocabulary • Multiple-Meaning Words

- Some words have more than one meaning. They are called **multiple-meaning words**.
- When you see a word you don't know, you may find clues about the word's meaning in the words near the unknown word. These are called context clues.

Directions Read the following passage. Then answer the questions below. Use context clues to help you.

The two-wheeled vehicle known as the bicycle was invented in Europe in the nineteenth century. A French version, called a “boneshaker,” ran on wooden wheels covered with iron. Its front wheel was slightly larger than the rear one. As indicated by its name, this was not a comfortable bike to ride.

In the 1880s, the English inventor John Kemp Starley took on the project of improving the bicycle. In 1885, he

manufactured the Rover Safety Bicycle, a more stable bike. The air-filled tire and the “bicycle built for two,” or tandem bicycle, contributed to the popularity of the bicycle in the 1890s.

Today, many cyclists still applaud the bicycle as a convenient and flexible way to get from place to place. Because bikes don't pollute, many people consider them a fabulous way to get around town.

1. What context clues helped you figure out the meaning of *stable*?

2. What is another meaning of *stable*?

3. What are two meanings of the word *tire*?

4. How do you know which meaning of *tire* is used here?



Home Activity Your child read a passage containing multiple-meaning words and determined their definitions using context clues. Read a newspaper or magazine article with your child, and see who can find and define more multiple-meaning words.

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Directions Read this advertisement for a credit card and answer the questions.

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- Special **cardmember privileges**

Can you believe it? The holidays are just around the corner. Impress your friends with your new **Diamond Classic Plus Card**. [Diamond Classic Plus C-1.4E0Ws 4tB55.1l /Gyou S e8 m 152.47





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