

First and Next board

First and Next boards help your child to understand what's happening and what's expected.

- You can draw a board simply by putting a line down the middle of a page and writing first and next at the top of each column and then adding your visuals.
- It's useful to have a choosing board with a selection of symbolised activities your child can choose from. However if you don't have this available you can draw the pictures onto the board. Don't worry about whether or not you can draw, the simpler the better!
- To show your child what they're expected to do, put the symbol or draw a picture in the boxes. It may be that you need your child to do something they're not keen on doing e.g. get dressed. Put the symbol / draw a picture of getting dressed in the 'first' box and something they enjoy in the 'next' box.
- Once they've finished the first activity remove the symbol or put a cross through the picture to show that it has finished. Then point to the new activity.

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Please contact the communication team if you need any further information on 'first' and 'next' boards.
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